Hart reenters presidential race

CONCORD. New Hampshire (AP) — Gary Hart reentered the U.S. presidential race Tuesday in a startling turnabout seven months after withdrawing amid controversy about his relationship with a Miami model. "I intend to resume by presidential campaign and let the people decide." Mr. Hart said on the steps of New Hampshire's state capitol with his wife, Lee, at his side. "Sometimes the best thing to do is what you feel you must do," said Mr. Hart, one of the contenders for the Democratic Party's nomination for president. Mr. Hart was the clear-cut front-runner when he quit the campaign last May. He rejoins it at a time when the six previously declared Democratic candidates are still struggling to generate national support. Mr. Hart stated his respect for his once and present rivals and said he was sure they would "respect my right to make my case. This will not be like any campaign you have ever seen, because I am going direct to the people." Mr. Hart said he has no campaign funds or polls or staff, but added: "I have something even better, I have the power of ideas. And I can govern this country."

جوردان تايمز يومية سياسية تصدر بالانجليزية عن المؤسسة الصحفية الاردنية والراي،

EC and Israel end-long wrangle

BRUSSELS (R) — The European Community (EC) agreed on a new trade accord with Israel on Tuesday after resolving a separate dispute on Palestinian exports to Europe. The accord, which cuts EC tariffs for Israeli exports of cut flowers, fruit and vegetables, was delayed while the community pressed separate demands that Palestinians in the Israelioccupied territories be allowed to export their farm produce direct to Europe. Until now, Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip have had to channel their produce through Israeli marketing bodies. EC Commissioner Claude Cheysson said on Monday Palestinians would be completely free to choose who to sell to and how to transport their goods. However, the approval of the accord by EC ministers atmost certainly came too late for the deal to be sent for ratification to the European Parliament which meets this week in Strasbourg, parliament officials said. That means the accord cannot be put into effect in time for Israeli exporters to benefit during the lucrative Christmas season. The 12-nation EC is the biggest market for Israeli farm produce.

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King sends good wishes to Bahrain

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein on Tuesday sent a cable to the emir of Bahrain. Sheikh Issa Ibn Salman Al Khali-fa, congratulating him on the occasion of Bahrain's Independence Day. The King wished Sheikh Issa continued good health and happiness and the Bahraini people further success and prosperity.

Rifai thanks Greater Amman council

AMMAN (Petra) — Prime Minister Zaid Rifai on Tuesday expressed pride and appreciation to the Greater Amman Municipal Council_for its great achievements. These achievements, Mr. Rifai said, have turned Amman into a flourishing and well-organised city and prepared it to host the extraordinary Arab summit last month. In a message to Amman Mayor Abdul Raouf Al Rawabdeh, Mr. Rifai voiced gratitude and appreciation for the municipality's continuous efforts and dedication to serve the country and capital.

Mahdi due here today

AMMAN (R) — Sudan's Prime Minister Sadeq Al Mahdi will arrive in Jordan on Wednesday to start a two-day official visit, the Sudanese ambassador said on Tuesday. The envoy, Mahgoub Radwan, told Reuters that Mr. Mahdi, accompanied by Sudan's army commander General Fawzi Ahmad Al Fadel, would discuss Middle Eastern and bilateral issues with Jordanian leaders, but gave no details.

Kuwaiti leaders meet Abu Ghazala

KUWAIT (R) — The emir of Kuwait met Egyptian Defence Minister Abdul Halim Abu Ghazala on Tuesday for talks on increased military cooperation and ways of upgrading Kuwait's defences. Kuwaiti officials said the emir, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah. discussed defence needs in the face of current developments in the region. Field Marshal Ghazala also met Kuwaiti Defence Minister Sheikh, Salem Al Sabah for talks on military cooperation, the officials

Mellor to visit occupied territories

LONDON (R) — British Junior Foreign Minister David Mellor will visit Israel from Jan. 4-6 after spending two days meeting prominent Palestinians in the Israelioccupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, it was announced on Tuesday. The Foreign and Commonwealth Office said Mr. Mellor's programme during the Jan. 2-4 visit to the Israeli-occupied territories would be organised by the British consul general in Jeru-

Brazilian plane crashes into sea

RIO DE JANEIRO (R) - A Brazilian air force Hercules transport plane with 29 people on board crashed into the sea on Monday night and no survivors have been found, an air ministry spokesman said on Tuesday. The cause of the accident was not immediately known. The plane, with six crew and 23 passengers, went down near the archipelago of Fernando de Noronha.

Sihanouk ready to resume peace talks

PARIS (R) — Exiled Kampuchean leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk said on Tuesdav he was ready to resume peace talks with the Vietnamese-backed Phnom Penh government. The announcement, made in a statement issued in Paris, reverses an earlier decision by the mercurial 65-year-old prince to cancel two rounds of talks with Kampuchean Prime Minister Hun Sen.

Palestinian uprising rages throughout W. Bank and Gaza

4 more Arabs killed and many wounded in ruthless Israeli drive against protests • Occupation soldiers storm hospital • Protesters fight pitched battles

Total casualties in seven days of revolt put at over 700

Israeli troops tie Palestinian boys to jeeps and drive through streets

Combined agency dispatches

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM - Violent anti-Israeli protests spread through major towns and cities in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip on Tuesday and at least four Palestinians were shot dead and 25 others wounded on the seventh day of the Arab uprising against the Jewish state's occupation of the land.

In the Gaza Strip, Israeli sol-diers stormed into a hospital, who hurled firebombs and stones. hours of confrontation in which

wounded by Israeli gunfire in at warning gunfire into the air. least half a dozen demonstrations throughout the narrow coastal strip where 650,000 Palestinians

live. Gaza hospital officials said. Demonstrations also swept through major towns and cities in the occupied West Bank. Arab shopkeepers in Gaza City and Arab Jerusalem closed their stores in a strike to protest the violence.

In Gaza City, about 50 soldiers stormed into Shifa Hospital after

Twenty-five Arabs were soldiers fired repeated burst of

The outnumbered soldiers were unable to contain the unrest and Arab tension grew when rumours spread that soldiers had blocked ambulances from bringing Arab wounded to the hos-

An AP photographer saw the soldiers charge when Arab protesters hurled three firebombs at the feet of a group of Israeli soldiers and hit another soldier in

(Continued on page 3)

Arab League denounces Israel's 'barbaric, inhuman' measures

Absence of political solution is behind the overwhelming popular revolt, Jordan tells U.N.

TUNIS (Agencies) — The Arab League, at an emergency session on Tuesday, condemned Israeli an urgent call to the United National Israeli and urgent call to the United the occupied Arab territories.

Israeli forces attacked hospitals and fired on unarmed crowds after hemming them in with tanks, a communique after the

four-hour meeting said. During the past week of protests, Israel had practised "all forms of repression, having recourse to terrorism and subjecting crowds of Arabs and Palesti-

nians to massacres," it said. The Israeli action had resulted in dozens of deaths and hundreds of wounded, it said.

Sytenko

briefs Aziz

and Arafat

BAGHDAD (Agencies) — A

Soviet envoy has briefed Iraqi
leaders and Palestine Liberation
Organisation (PLO) leader Yas-

ser Arafat on the outcome of the

Washington superpower summit.

met with envoy Mikhail Sytenko on Monday to discuss the results

Security Council resolution but

Iran has said it will agree to a

ceasefire only if Iraq is conde-

mit, a PLO spokesman said.

U.S. President Ronald Reagan

and Soviet leader Mikhail Gor-

bachev mooted the subject of

forming a preparatory committee

The idea of forming a prepara-

tory committee was agreed upon

by Egyptian President Hosni

Mubarak and the then-Israeli

Prime Minister Shimon Peres

during their meeting in Alexan-

dria in August 1986.

for the peace conference.

mned as "the aggressor."

of the U.S.-Soviet talks.

Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz

The meeting of the 21-member Arab League, which was re-

massacres of Arabs and Palestitions to protect Palestinians in which apart from Mr. Kaddoumi

Farouk Kaddoumi, the head of the PLO's political department, told reporters before the meeting that Palestinians in the occupied territories were acting in self-

"The Israeli occupation is itself a provocation to the people. They have to fight and this is selfdefence," he said.

PLO leaders have called for U.N. intervention to halt the violence by means of an international force or observers, but diplomats were sceptical that such an idea could work as it

nians during violent protests in areas occupied by Israel since the was attended by member states' permanent representatives to the Tunis-based organisation, accused the United States of hindering Middle East peace

efforts by its support for Israel. Washington's attitude encouraged Israel to continue aggressive acts, it said, and the Jewish state's continued occupation of Arab territory "will result in threatening the stability and security of the Middle East, while the Palestinian people will continue its struggle with all means." The communique called for a

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U.S. criticises Israeli actions as 'harsh'

Administration seeks \$23m extra funding for Jordan's programme

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — ber 1986. The Jordanian prog-The United States on Monday ramme needs "substantial addicriticised Israeli measures in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and a senior official said the administration was discussing the situation with visiting Defence-

The Iraqi News Agency said Mr. Minister Yîtzhak Rabin. Sytenko, an ambassador for spe-Assistant Secretary of State cial assignments, and Mr. Aziz Richard Murphy said in congresexamined ways of implementing sional testimony that measures imposed by the Israelis were U.N. Security Council Resolution 598 demanding a ceasefire to "sometimes inconsistent with recognised international standards." Iraq has accepted the July 20

He said U.S. officials were discussing the matter with Mr. Rabin, who held talks on Monday with Defence Secretary Frank Carlucci and acting Secretary of State John Whitehead.

In his meeting with Mr. Arafat on Tuesday, Mr. Sytenko told the The United States has been PLO leader that the possibility of concerned by Israel's use of "exconvening an international peace cessive force" to contain demonconference on the Arab-Israeli strators, notably the use of live conflict was discussed at the sumammunition, Mr. Murphy told the House of Representatives The spokesman said Mr. subcommittee on Europe and the Sytenko told Mr. Arafat that Middle East.

Mr. Murphy also reiterated the importance that the Reagan administration attaches to givingsupport for Jordan's five-year development programme for the occupied territories and said the administration was seeking an additional \$23 million for this year, beyond the \$7 million sought in fiscal year 1988. The U.S. has provided \$18.5 million to the programme since Septemtional funding... to have a major impact," he said (See page 4 for full text of Mr. Murphy's testi-

Mr. Murphy blamed the growing wave of violent anti-Israeli protests in the West Bank and Gaza on growing Palestinian frustration in the absence of any certainty about their future.

He also criticised Israel's handling of requests from Palestinians for family reunification. "Israel continues to limit sev-

erely Palestinian family reunification, which the U.S. regards as an important humanitarian issue, Mr. Murphy said.

He said the administration had raised this and related human rights issues at the highest levels of the Israeli government, but added: "They don't take kindly to counsel from friends."

Earlier on Monday, State Department spokesman Phyllis Oakley used some of the same language as Mr. Murphy to express the U.S. stance.

"These events are a reminder of the deep communal conflict and of the unresolved political status of the West Bank and Gaza," she said. "They underscore the need for both sides to exercise restraint and avoid confrontations that may add to the

Israeli soldiers dart into **Lebanon**

BEIRUT (Agencies) — Tank-led Israeli troops backed by helicopter gunships struck at Lebanese resistance fighters in South Lebanon on Tuesday. Military spokesmen reported at least six casual-

A Lebanese military spokesman in the stricken area at the foothills of Mount Hermon said a Lebanese army armoured car was destroyed by a direct rocket hit from an Israeli helicopter and two Lebanese soldiers were wounded.

The spokesman said the attacking force was made up of about 50 Israeli troops and 80 militiamen of the allied South Lebanon Army (SLA) in nine tanks and 12 armoured personnel carriers.

The spokesman said at least two militiamen from Hizbollah (Party of God) were also wounded in the attack on the village of Maydoun, two kilometres northeast of Israel's self-proclaimed "security zone" in South Lebanon.

He said the Lebanese military vehicle destroyed in the attack was stationed at a Lebanese army barracks in 'Ain Al Tineh, three kilometres (two miles) north of He said the attack began at

midday (1000 GMT) and ended four hours later, when the Israeli and SLA force withdrew from the Maydoun area back to the "security zone."

The spokesman said at least two Israeli soldiers were injured in the action and were evacuated by ambulances with the attacking force as it pulled out.

"It was a limited crackdown on Hizbollah in Maydoun," the spokesman said. Israeli military sources who

spoke on condition of anonymity said initial reports indicated at least one Israeli soldier was wounded in the clash. A Western diplomat in South

Lebanon said the presence of an Israeli mechanised unit entering Lebanon sparked fears of an Israeli invasion among the already tense population of the

Fears of a massive Israeli strike have swept Lebanon since a guerrilla flew across the border in a motorised hang glider Nov. 25 and killed six Israeli soldiers at a army base in northern Israel.

Eight other Israeli troops were wounded in that attack. The Syrian-backed Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command claimed responsibility. | agent, and that the debris fell



talks with agree to raise trade Ramadan

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein on Tuesday re-ceived Iraqi First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan and reviewed with him scopes of bilateral cooperation and means for further strengthening bilateral

King Hussein and Mr. Ramadan also reviewed the current Arab situation and the follow-up efforts on resolutions of the extraordinary Arab summit, which was held here last November.

The meeting was attended by His Royal Highness Prince Mohammad, His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, Prime Minister Zaid Rifai, Chief of the Royal Court Marwan Al Qasem, Chief Chamberlain Prince Ra'd Ibn Zaid, Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, Jordan's ambassador to Iraq and Iraq's

Iraq on Tuesday agreed to in-crease the annual volume of trade exhibitions held in both counbetween them to \$900 million in tries. the year 1988 and to take measures to remove obstacles facing

products of the two countries to each other. The agreement came during meetings of the Joint Jordanian-Iraqi Higher Committee which met under the co-chairmanships of Prime Minister Zaid Rifai and Iraqi first Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan. Mr. Rifai and Mr. Ramadan signed the minutes of the meeting later Tuesday and the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported details

the smooth flow of the national

The two sides also agreed on the need to encourage the ex-

of the agreements contained

AMMAN (J.T.) - Jordan and delegations from both countries

The committee inspected progress of work at the Iraqi-Jordanian Industrial Company and approved a new strategy of the company which calls for setting up high yielding economic projects. The committee also approved the company's plan of operations for the year 1988. The plan includes preparation of a feasibility and technical study of a number of technical projects such as manufacturing tri-sodium phosphate, sodium carbonate and agricultural insecticides. Both sides also agreed to provide the necessary facilities to the company to enable it to carry out its programmes.

Soviets confident of '88 Moscow summit

Seoul begins questioning

gan questioning a mystery woman Tuesday night that state prosecu-

destruction of a Korean Air Lines · formation from the woman sus-

(KAL) jet with 115 people pect who was flown back to Seoul

rived at Seoul's Kimpo airport Witnesses quoted by Reuter

after extradition from Bahrain, said the woman, gagged

KAL mystery woman

SEOUL (Agencies) - South Ko- over the sea.

therein.

MOSCOW (R) — The Soviet Washington summit, was asked Union is expecting a fourth superpower summit to take place in Moscow next May or June regardless of whether a treaty on cutting strategic arms is ready for signing, a Soviet spokesman said on Tuesday.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Boris Pyadyshev also said an agreement reached by Soviet eader Mikhail Gorbachev and President Ronald Reagan in Washington last week would bar the so-called broad interpretation of the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) treaty.
The broad interpretation, adv-

anced in the United States, would permit vigourous testing of Mr. Reagan's strategic defence initiative (SDI). Moscow says this is prohibited under the Soviet-U.S. ABM treaty as originally signed.

Pyadyshev, at the first regular Moscow news conference since

rean prosecutors on Tuesday be-

suspected of involvement in the

As the frail-looking woman ar-

news came from Burma that a

ship had picked up wreckage

from KAL Flight 858, which dis-

appeared over the Andaman Sea

on Nov. 29 during a Baghdad-

An airline spokesman said a

Burmese cargo ship retrieved a fragment of a yellow liferaft

stamped with the "KAL" logo

340 kilometres southeast of Ran-

The discovery bolstered the

South Korean government theory

that the Boeing 707 was des-

troyed in flight by a bomb, prob-

ably planted by a North Korean

aboard.

Seoul flight.

next spring if a treaty to cut strategic arms by half had not yet been drafted.

"Our great wish is that we have that treaty ready by the time President Reagan comes here on his visit," he said.

"But we have a realistic view of the situation and we now have even deeper insight into U.S. internal developments and the line-up of forces on the American political scene covering arms control issues."

Pyadyshev -said he expected Soviet and U.S. arms delegations in Geneva to make significant progress before the next summit.

He said the main goal of the summit should be "general agreement on provisions covering 50 per cent reductions to be included in a treaty on strategic offensive Mr. Gorbachev's return from the arms."

South Korean Radio said on

tors were battling to prise in-

from Bahrain within hours of her

apparently to stop her attempting

suicide, seemed to be sobbing as

she was ushered from the plane to

Seoul dailies described her as a

"human black box," supposedly holding the secret of what hap-

pened to KAL 858. Prosecutors

trying to establish a North Ko-

rean connection were quoted as

saying she was not cooperating

In Pyongyang, a North Korean

Foreign Ministry spokesman cal-

led the extradition an "abnormal

farce" and said his government

had nothing to do with the loss of

with her interrogators.

a waiting ambulance.

Iranian raiders spark huge blast aboard ship

DUBAI (Agencies) — Iranian gunboat raiders triggered a devastating explosion which ripped open the deck of a Greek tanker on Tuesday and forced the crew to abandon ship, shipping sources

They said the huge blast rocked the 102,088-tonne Ariadne when Iranian gunboats attacked it for the second time in seven hours. "The explosion ripped the deck open," said one source. There

were no casualties. The sources, who told Reuters earlier this week the Iranians were using a new but so-far unidentified weapon in the tanker war, said the blazing ship was listing 15 degrees off Jabal Ali near Dubai in the United Arab Emirates.

The Iranians first attacked the Ariadne with machineguns just after dawn as it entered the Gulf in ballast from the Strait of Hormuz, the sources said.

The attack caused a small fire but the crew doused it and the ship sailed on, as vessels have

often previously done after pin-prick attacks by Iranian craft. But this time, the sources said. the Iranians returned, interrogated the ship to establish its

identity and launched a second attack, sparking the huge blast. "They have been hunting her

ail day," one source said. The sources said most of the crew abandoned ship in lifeboats after the explosion and the rest were taken off by firefighting tugs which rushed to the scene. All

were now on the big supply vessel Pacific Claymore. The captain, the last to leave the battered Ariadne, was picked up by a rescue helicopter. But the helicopter developed engine trouble and nearly crashed into the sea before landing on the Pacific

Claymore, the sources said. de l'initial

Prime Minister Jacques Chirac

No group claimed responsibil-

ity for seizing Mr. Waite who

went missing last Jan. 20 after he

left his hotel in west Beirut to

meet the kidnappers of American

Three American teachers.

Alann Steen, Robert Polhill, and

Jesse Turner are held hostage by

the Islamic Jihad for the Libera-

tion of Palestine. They were kid-

nupped by gunmen posing as

policemen from the campus of

the Beirut University College on

Meanwhile a Beirut paper has

published Christmas greetings

from American school students to

U.S. hostage Terry Anderson.

held by Muslim militants in

Some 80 selected messages.

sent by pupils aged between 12 and 17 at Childersburg High

School in Iowa state, were

printed on Tuesday by the leftist

The young authors said their

history teacher, Mark Fieldman.

had talked to them about Ander-

son and given them a course on

hostages, their sufferings, and the

reasons behind their abduction.

Anderson, 40. from Lorain.

Ohio. Middle East bureau chief

of the Associated Press news

hunger strikers were not even

UNHCR had asked French and

other authorities to help reach a

"humanitarian solution." particu-

larly for three people - a man

and two women - who needed

special consideration for health

Mr. Paringaux said the exiles in

the West African nation had

ignored appeals to stop their hun-

spiritual leader. Ayatollah The Times of London reported health began to circulate after the

Ruhollah Khomeini, reported in on Tuesday that foreign doctors official Tehran Radio reported

the West to be ill, received rela- had flown to Tehran to treat. Thursday that the Islamic fun-

But Iranian Deputy Oil Minis-

ter Hossein Kazempour Ardebili

denied rumours at the OPEC

conference in Vienna that the

85-year-old spiritual leader was

Tehran residents contacted by

telephone on Monday said the

He's well and very healthy.

said Mr Ardebili, the no. 2

person in the delegation, in a

brief telephone conversation.

capital appeared normal.

Khomeini for a serious illness.

Khomeini reportedly receives troops' relatives

ger strike while the UNHCR countries.

Mr. Paringaux said the

As Safir newspaper.

Ousted Iranian exiles go on hunger strike

taking liquids.

and family reasons.

All French hostages, 1 teacher and Waite to be freed, paper says

BEIRUT (R) — A Lebanese newspaper said on Tuesday that all French hostages and one American teacher, as well as Anglican church envoy Terry Waite, would be freed soon in Muslim west Beirut.

instead.

hostages.

Lebanon.

The Muslim conservative Al Liwaa quoted "well-informed" diplomatic sources in its report but did not set any date for the release.

"The release of all French hostages will take place soon after some technical arrangements are finished," said Al Liwaa, adding that Mr. Waite and one unidentified American teacher would be also freed.

At least four French nationals are among 24 foreigners who are missing and believed held hostage in Lebanon. They are diplomats Marcel Carton, 64 and Marcel Fontaine 40. journalist Jean-Paul Kaulfman, 45 and Florence Raad, a 32-year old Franco Lebanese journalist.

Two other Frenchmen were released last month. Photographer Roger Auque, 31 and television technician Jean-Louis Normandin, 35, were freed short-Iv before blockades, imposed in a diplomatic row, were lifted on the French embassy in Tehran and the Iranian embassy in Paris.

France denied British press reports that the two were released in a complicated deal with Iran.

Al Liwaa said Mr. Waite, 48, lay aide to the Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie. would not be handed to the British government but to French

GENEVA (R) — Thirteen oppo-

nents of Iran's Ayatollah

Khomeini expelled by France to

Gabon a week ago are on hunger

strike, and their situation is

worsening seriously, a spokesman

for the United Nations High

Commissioner for Refugees

reporters that a UNHCR doctor

who was in contact with the exiles

— a total of 12 Iranians and three

Turks — said some of the 13

tives of the country's war dead at

The radio, monitored by the

British Broadcasting Corporation

(BBC), said Khomeini met the

families of soldiers killed, taken

prisoner or missing in action in

the seven-year war against Iraq.

the Jamaran Mosque gave no

indication that Khomeini spoke

to the relatives but said that at the

end he "responded to the senti-

The report of the meeting at

a mosque in Tehran on Tuesday.

Tehran Radio said.

Roland-Pierre Paringaux told

(UNHCR) said on Tuesday.

In. 1985. The pro-Iranian Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility.

Chirac attacks foreign press

In Paris. Prime Minister Jacques Chirac launched a strong attack on the foreign media on Monday for suggesting that France had struck a deal with Iran over the release of two of its hostages in Beirut.

Addressing a lunch for foreign correspondents, Mr. Chirac accused the English-language press of trying to destabilise France and undermine its influence in Arab

"I want to say to those in the English-language press who, for reasons which we can understand, are trying to destabilise our country: They will not succeed," Mr. Chirac said.

"Let me tell you: The old saying if you throw enough dirt. some of it will stick just does not

Mr. Chirac denied that France had paid any ransom for the release of hostages Auque and Normandin last month or promised any kind of arms deliveries to Iran.

Several British and American newspapers have reported that France struck a deal with Iran involving the release of French hostages in exchange for letting an Iranian embassy interpreter suspected of complicity in terrorist bombings leave the country.

The departure of the interpre-

sought to ease their situation.
The French government round-

ed up 17 Khomeini opponents

and flew them to Gabon last

Tuesday because they were mem-

bers of the People's Mujahedeen

organisation, the main opposition

force to Ayatollah Ruhollah

Khomeini, which "threatened the

Two who had official refugee

status in Britain and Sweden were

later allowed to return to those

damentalist leader drew up a new

"divine political will and testa-

ment." The report did not disclose

The Times of London quoted

what it described as usually reli-

able Iranian sources as saying a

medical team including a British

doctor and two Austrians left

Vienna Sunday and was expected

to see Khomeini at a small hospit-

al next to his headquarters in the

northern Tehran suburb of

what the new will said.

peace" in France.

agency, was abducted on March ter. Vahid Gordji, was followed by France's expulsion of 17 members of the Iranian People's Mujahedeen organisation, the main opposition force to Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher discussed the issue with Mr. Chirac at the Dec. 4-5 European summit, but distanced herself from the British media attacks, according to French offi-

Mr. Chirac referred to rivalry between France and Britain for influence in the Middle East, saying nothing had changed since the time of Lawrence of Arabia," best remembered here for trying to keep the French out of Syria.

French opposition politicians and human rights groups have all accused the government of giving in to Iran's demands to secure the release of its hostages, held by Muslim extremist groups in

Lebanon. Mr. Chirac denied any bargaining with Iran, but he reiterated that Paris expected Tehran to use its influence to secure the release of the hostages before there could be full diplomatic ties.

We consider that the Iranian authorities can secure the release of the hostages," Mr. Chirac said.

We have a suspicion of complicity between the Iranians and the kidnappers, so there is no question of us restoring diplomatic relations until this question is

Peres criticises superpower summit

BRASILIA (R) - Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres criticised last week's superpower summit for failing to address the regional problems of the Middle ast, the Brazilian Foreign Ministry has said.

In talks with Brazilian Foreign Minister Roberto Abreu Sodre, Peres regretted this omission. ministry spokesman Ruy Nogueira said. We suffer the consequences

of the policies of the superpowers and would like to depend on them less," Mr. Nogueira quoted Peres as saying. Mr. Sodre said Brazil followed

closely the problems in the Middle East and noted that from Jan. 1 Brazil would be a member of the United Nations' Security Council.

Peres, the first Israeli Foreign Minister to visit Brazil in 14 years, urged stronger coopera tion between Israel and Brazil. rockets.

'Iraq could soon have ballistic missiles'

STOCKHOLM (R) - Iraq could soon acquire from Brazil ballistic missiles capable of carrying nuclear warheads or chemical weapons up to 300 kilometres, an expert in the international arms trade said on Tuesday.

Aaron Karp, who monitors the international arms trade for the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), said this was just one alarming development in the spread of ballistic missile technology to Third World nations.

"The Brazilian SS-300 missile project appears to be financed by Iraq or its supporters. The Iraqis have been fully briefed on the new missile and will be ready to buy it when it is ready in 1989 or 1990," Mr. Karp told Reuters.

"The dimensions are the minimum thought necessary to carry a likely Third World nuclear missile," he said.

In two unpublished studies made available to Reuters, Mr. Karp said a pact signed this year by seven Western industrialised nations on halting the spread of ballistic-missile technology was likely to prove ineffective.

Such self-propelled, guided missiles can be used to deliver nuclear bombs or chemical weapons with devastating accuracy over a long range. Mr. Karp said in the studies, due to appear in U.S. defence journals in the next few months.

"The pact may slow things down a bit but it won't stop them. Determined buyers of such technology will inevitably find unscrupulous sellers," he said.

Mr. Karp said the accord signed last April by the United States, Britain, France, Canada, Italy, Japan and West Germany lacked mechanisms both to monitor compliance and enforce res-Unless the regime can be

tightened dramatically, policy makers will have to confront the problem of managing conflict among well-armed regional antagonists." Mr. Karp wrote. Apart from Brazil, India and

Israel also had advanced ballistic missile programmes and were prepared to export the technology to other Third World nations. he wrote. The Brazilian missile appeared

a direct copy of the Soviet SS-1 Scud B. It is capable of carrying a 500-kilo (1.100-pound) missile a distance of 300 kilometres. Israel's Jerico II missile was

even more powerful and had already been deployed. He said Israel had helped

nology to Israel or anywhere in South Africa and Taiwan develop the Middle East. bullistic weapons while Brazil had A group of European Parliadeveloped a multi-million dollar ment members has proposed a resolution demanding a fair and business out of exporting artillery open trial for Vanunu.

Italy to give Lebanon \$100m in aid

BEIRUT (R) - Italy is to provide aid worth about \$100 million over the next two years to Lebanon, ravaged by civil war-and economic collapse, an Italian official said on Tuesday.

Gilberto Bonalumi, deputy minister of foreign affairs, told a news conference at the end of a three-day visit to Lebanon that the Italian contribution was in response to a U.N. call.

years Italy would give financial credits and medical, agricultural

and educational assistance for the needy throughout Lebanon.

A U.N. team visited Lebanon in October and recommended-that \$85 million worth of help be provided immediately to about 250,000 families hard hit by the crisis in the economy.

The Lebanese pound has lost more than 80 per cent of its international value this year. He said that over the next two fuelling the inflation rate to an tees to guarantee just distribute January.

S. Arabia gives \$10m

popmer

Saudi Arabia is giving people in Lebanon \$10 million to help them through their difficult economic situation, the official Saud Press Agency (SPA) said or Monday.

It quoted Information Minister Ali Hassan Al Shaer as saying King Fahd ordered the money in be distributed by special commitestimated 550 per cent since tion among all Lebanese withour exception.

Sudanese rebels claim capturing 2 bases

NAIROBI (R) — The Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) claimed on Tuesday its guerrillas captured two military bases near the strategic town of Damazin, 500 kilometres south of Khartoum, after heavy fighting.

Radio SPLA said its forces captured Khartoum-Bilel and Kashankor garrisons on Sunday.

"Government troops suffered heavy casualties in men and material and their commander abandoned his car and fled, but he is being pursued by SPLA forces," said the radio, without mentioning SPLA casualties.

STRASBOURG, France (R)

The brother of Israeli nuclear

technician Mordechai Vanunu.

who is on trial in Israel on espion-

age charges, appealed on Tues-

day to Western Europe to inter-

vene on his behalf and help stop

what he said has Israel's build-up

Vanunu was arrested last year

At a news conference at the

European Parliament, his

brother. Meir Vanunu, called on

European Community (EC)

countries to protest against his

detention and press Israel at least

to give him a public trial. Vanunu

conditions... in solitary confine-

ment for 14 or 15 months, Meir

Vanunu said. "And there is no

way to know what kind of trial he

He also called on Europe to

stop any transfer of nuclear tech-

"Hè is going through inhuman

is being tried in secret.

will have.

and is standing trial for giving

away alleged details of an Israeli

nuclear arms programme.

border on Nov. 12. Last week the rebels also announced the capture of Gizen. a second border town to the north

Khartoum with electricity.

The broadcast, monitored in of Kurmuk. The Ethiopian-backed guerrilli Nairobi, called on civilians to movement has been fighting the Khartoum government since 198. leave Damazin. saying SPLA forces were about to attack the with the declared objective outgiving southern blacks a large say in central government. town, which is near the huge Roseires hydro-electric dam that supplies the Sudanese capital

Sudan has traditionally beer dominated by Muslim Arab The SPLA, whose military from the north, who comprise activity was confined until recently to the southern Sudan, has the majority of the country's 2 been advancing northwards in million population. Blue Nile province since it cap-

The Sudanese government has accused the SPLA of receiving tured Kurmuk on the Ethiopian direct military support from the Ethiopian Armed Forces, bu Addis Ababa has denied the

Goulding visits Lebanon for Vanunu's talks on Mideast, UNIFIL brother BEIRUT (R) - A top United discussed renewing the UNIFII appeals for Nations envoy arrived in Lebanon on Tuesday to discuss Middle arv. 'Mr. Goulding said. East peace efforts and the role of European U.N. peacekeeping troops in the south of the country. Marrack Goulding, assistant help

secretary general for political affairs, told reporters after meeting President Amin Gemayel that they discussed the mandate of the U.N. Interim Force In Lebanon (UNIFIL) and national reconciliation in Lebanon.

"I talked with the president for more than one hour about the peacekeepers in the south and

mandate which expires in Janu The 5,700-man force deployed

in South Lebanon in 1978 with the aim of restoring Lebaness... government sovereignty over this Official sources said Mr. Goulding said Mr. Gemayel also discussed efforts to convene at

international conference unde-U.N. auspices to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict. Mr. Goulding has visited Jor

dan. Syria. Tunisia, Egypt and national reconciliation... we also Israel for similar talks.

Arab opposition parties call for end to Gulf war Libyan leader Muammai

BEIRUT (R) — Arab opposition... parties called at the end of a Qadhafi, speaking to the meet stop the seven-year Iran-Iraq ers opposed to Arab unity. Agency JANA reported.

Beirut, quoted a statement as ments into opening training saying: "The conferees focused camps for Palestinian comon an Arab and national plan that mandos. could find a solution to the Gulf war and protect the interests of the Arab and Iranian people."

It did not identify the participants at the Tripoli meeting. The statement condemned the U.S. military presence in the Gulf and said a proposed international

four-day meeting in Libya on ing's opening session, advocated Tuesday for a "unified" plan to violence to overthrow Arab rul. war, the official Libyan News JANA quoted him as urging

the Arab opposition parties of The agency, monitored in Monday to pressure their govern

He called for donations to be collected and permanent commit_ tees to be formed to support the commandos.

"You should press your gov William L ernments to open camps to Palestinian guerrillas and trail them in all Arab countries. conference on Middle East peace JANA quoted Col. Qadhafi a was unlikely to become a reality. saying.

TV & RADIO

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TODAY'S EVENTS

WHAT'S GOING ON

EXHIBITIONS

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* "Documenta" — art exhibition at the Goethe Institute (until Dec. 23) An exhibition of paintings by Ahmad Na'wash at the Aha Ari Gaf-lery - Jabal Amman (until Dec. 20)

8 "Sun" painting by Hana Saudi at 4:00 p.m., at Abdul Hamid Shoman Foundation (until Dec. 25)

FILM

\u00e4 "Everyone on his own and God against all" at 8 00 p.m. at the Goethe lastitute.

CULTURAL CENTRES

Royal Cultural Centre Tel 6610267 American Centre : American Centre Library British Council French Cultural Centre Spanish Cultural Centre . Furkish Cultural Centre Hava Arts Centre luse in Youth City ... Y.W.C.A. ... 641793 Y.W.M.A. ... 641793 Amman Municipal Library 637111 University of Indian Library 843555

MUSEUMS

"Children's Heritage and Science Museum," I on and knowledge for all ages, plus a small planetarium at the Haya Arts Centre, Open all week 900 a m = 1,00 p.m and 3.80 p.m, -6000 p.m. Closed on Friday. Folklore Museum: lewelty and costumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerish (4th to 18th) centuries) The Roman Theatre, Amman, Opening hours (9.00) a m -5 p.m. Year-round Tel. (53774) Vent-tound 1cl by 1701
Jurdan Archaeological Museum: Has an excellent collection of the anti-quities of Jordan Jabal Al Oal'a (Citadel Hill) Opening liours 9.00 a.m. 5.00 p.m. (Fitdays and official holidays 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.). Closed Tuesdays

Closed Tuesdays

Martyrs' Memorial (Military Museum): Collection of military memorabilia dating troni the Arab Revolt of 1916 Sports City, Amman Opening hours 9 00 a nr 4 00 p m Closed Saturdays, Tel. 064240

SERVICE CLUBS

Lions Amman Club, Meetings every first and third Wednesday at the Holifirst and third Wednesday at the Holi-day Inn, 1.30 p.m.
Lions Philadelphia Club, Meetings ev-ery second and fourth Wednesday at the Ammon Hotel, 7.30 p.m.
Philadelphia Rotary Club, Meetings every Wednesday at the Holiday Inn, 1.30 p.m.
Rotary Club, Meetings every Tuesday at the Intercontinental Hotel, 2.00 p.m. p.m Royal Automobile Club, Jabal Am-man, Eighth Circle Tel, 816534, 817534

CHURCHES

St. Joseph Church (Roman Catholic) Jabal Amman, Tel. 624591 Church of the Annunciation (Roman Catholic) Jabal Luwerbdeh, Tel. De la Salle Church (Ronnin Catholic) Jabal Hussein, Tel. ob1757 Terrasanta Church (Roman Catholic), Jabal Luwejbdeh, mass in Italian lan-ettage, meet every Saturday at 5,30 p.m. 1el. n22366 Church of the Annunciation (Greek Orthodox) Abdali, Tel (2354) Anglican Church (Church of the Re-deemer) Jabal Amman, Tel. 678916 chaplain's residence tel 601359 Armenian Catholic Church Ashralich, Armenian Orthodox Church Ashra-

St. Ephraim Church (Syrian Orthodox) Ashratich, Tel. 771751. Amman International Church (Interdenominational) meets at Southern Baptist School in Shmeisani. Tel. 677534. Evangelical Lutheran Church (Church

of the Good Shepherd) Amman, Ara-bic Service, Sunday 7 p.m., Rev. N. Smir, tel. 811295 Amir. (c) S11293
Rainbow Congregation (meets at the Growl Sheppherd's Church)
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Jordan, Spain review developments in Mideast

MADRID (Petra) - Jordan's appreciation of the Spanish ambassador to Spain, Mohammad Affash Adwan, on Tuesday briefed Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandes Ordonez on His Majesty King Hussein's efforts to follow up on the positive results of the Amman extraordinary Arab summit, held in November.

At a meeting held in the Spanish foreign minister's office, the two officials discussed the explosive situation in the occupied Arab territories and Israel's oppressive measures against Arab people in the occupied ter-

Mr. Adwan expressed Jordan's

stand, which is supportive of the Arab causes, and Spain's full support of King Hussein's efforts to end the Iran-Iraq war and to hold an international conference on peace in the Middle East.

The Spanish foreign minister expressed his deep regret over the events taking place in the occupied territories and his denunciation of Israel's oppressive

The Spanish official praised the excellent relations between Spain and Jordan and voiced his admiration for King Hussein's leadership at the Arab summit.

Saudi civil defence team briefed on CDD duties

Director-General of the Civil Defence Department (CDD) Major General Mahmoud Al Tal on Tuesday received a Saudi civil defence delegation, led by Colonel Abdul Aziz Al Rayves.

Maj.-Gen. Tal briefed the visitors on the establishment and development of the CDD and its dinon duties at times of war and peace. At the end of the meeting, Col. Rayyes presented Maj.-Gen. Tal with the Saudi civil defence department's shield.

The delegation later visited the first aid and immediate relief directorate and was briefed by its director, Colonel Omar Dandis on the unit's duties and its role in to Jordan.

vices to people injured as a result of road accidents, particularly along the highways.

heavy traffic on the highways and the increasing number of accidents warranted the establishment of this directorate, which is supplied with modern first aid equipment and well-trained per-

Col. Rayyes and his accompanying delegation arrived here on Monday on a several-day visit

Expatriates' transfers for new company continue to arrive

AMMAN (Petra) - Jordanian for the establishment of the comexpatriates working in Qatar have transferred funds for ownership of 112,000 shares in a new holding company which will finance development projects in the Kingdom, according to announcement by the Ministry of Dari Labour and Social Development Tuesday.

The director of the ministry's Expatriates Affairs Department, Azmi Al Muhtaseb, said that the expatriates in Qatar have so far transferred funds towards the purchase of 600,000 shares of the projected company, and more air transport. transfers are expected later on.

He said that the company will have a JD 10 million capital, and minister of Industry and Comits shares are being bought by munications Mohammad Hambia, Kuwait, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates.

A special committee set by the ministry is handling the transfers

AMMAN (Petra) - Acting providing immediate first aid ser-

Col. Dandis added that the

The directorate, he said, has established 12 first aid centres along the Kingdom's roads.

and presentations.

On Monday, Mr. Muhtaseb reported that Jordanians living in. Qatar last week transferred JD 500,000 for the project

(Continued from page 1)

mittee's meeting were subjects

relating to scopes of cooperation

in energy, agriculture and indus-

try, in addition to land, sea and

Mr. Rajai Muasher, minister of

industry and trade, and Iraqi

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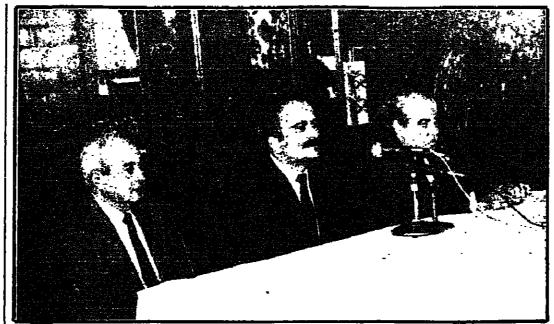
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Another agreement on scien-

tee's session.

Also discussed during the com-

pany, according to Mr.



His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan and high-quality drugs and medical appliances (Petra Minister of Health Dr. Zaid Hamzeh lead Tuesday's session of a symposium on the production of

Crown Prince stresses role of Arab philosophers in society

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Royal
Highness Crown Prince Hassan and referred to pluralism as a said on Tuesday that philosophy
means for enriching Arab and means for enriching Arab and an Arab society for philosophy to played an honourable role in shaping Arab and Islamic cultures and expressed hope that philosophy will assume its role in contributing to the advancement of

Addressing the last day of a three-day meeting of Arab philo-sophers, Prince Hassan said that it is up to the philosophers to help project the Arab and Islamic identities through their writings

It is the duty of philosophers to show clearly the difference between slogans and the achievement of the objectives behind slogans, and to impart to the young generation scientific, objective and logical learning that will serve as a shield to protect them from hostile attitudes in the future, the Crown Prince said.

Jordan and Iraq to boost trade

tific and technological coopera-

tion was signed on Tuesday by

Deputy Prime Minister Abdul

Wahab Al Majali, the minister of

agriculture, industry and trade,

finance, transport, energy and

mineral resources, and interior,

as well as the governor of the

Mr. Wazir said many Palesti-

and taking them straight to jail,"

more than 400 wounded.

reporters in Amman.

hospitals or clinics.

he said.

Central Bank of Jordan and Jor- Mr. Rifai held a closed door

dan's ambassador to Baghdad, meeting with Mr. Ramadan.

Islamic cultures. Prince Hassan help promote the work of Arab also noted that centrism has helped to enrich the quality of life in Jordan and opened the way for all citizens to contribute to the development of the country. Referring to Jordan's efforts to

uphold Arab and Islamic cul- keenness on providing a favourtures, Prince Hassan said that the able climate for philosophers is Royal Academy for Islamic Civilisation Research (Al al-Bait Foundation) and the Arab Thought Forum have contributed greatly towards this goal.

He said that Jordan seeks to establish a youth thought forum that will group university gradu-

Jordan has organised several contribute to mutual understand-He called on Arab and Muslim ing between them, the Crown philosophers to imbibe the spirit Prince added.

the under-secretary of the Minis-

try of Industry and Trade and the

of the Ministry of Industry, and

the under-secretary of the Minis-

try of Foreign Affairs as well as

Before the meetings started

tour centres AMMAN (J.T.) — Participants Christian-Islamic meetings which focused attention on values common to both faiths which can

in a three-day seminar on evaluating social and community development centres in Jordan on Tuesday made field trips to a number of these centres in Amman and its suburbs and examined their programmes and activities.

At the end of the meetings, the

participants voiced their appre-

ciation to Prince Hassan for pat-

ronising their meeting and said

that His Majesty King Hussein's

bound to contribute to the King-

dom's role in the Arab Nation.

participants

Seminar

The tour took them to Nuzha Nazzal and Hisban districts and to the town of Madaba, where of the centres who briefed them in general, and programmes benefitting children, in particular. The centres toured by the participants offer training for local women in handicrafts and trades and literacy classes run by the ministry of education. In addition, the centres have special wings for children's activities.

Prince Hassan urges Arab states to work towards integrated Arab economy

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan has urged Arab states to avoid imposing protectionist measures on trade and to work towards an integrated pan-Arab economy. He said that Arab states ought to conduct dialogues to arrive at a common formula for economic integra-

four-day symposium on medical products, Prince Hassan said that consensus reached by the Arab leaders at the Amman extraordinary Arab summit ought to help pave the way for joint Arab economic action.

The Crown Prince said that the eight-member committee grouping Arab ministers of finance and economy will meet towards the end of next month to discuss a pan-Arab investment policy and ways to promote inter-Arab economic cooperation.

Investment, the Crown Prince said, is the right of all those who can carry out creative work; and investors should be helped to implement their projects through banks and financial institutions. Prince Hassan urged the parti-

Addressing the second day of a cipants in the meeting to adopt ambitious decisions to promote the work of the pharmaceuticals industry in the Arab World and enable these industries to produce high-quality products that can compete with foreign pro-

The meeting is organised by the Arab Federation of Producers of Drugs and Medical Appliances (AFPDMA) to discuss means for controlling and organising the production of drugs and medical appliances in the Arab World. Tayseer Al Himsi, president of

the Jordanian Pharmacists Association (JPA) spoke at the outset of Tuesday's meeting, underlining the need to arrive at a formula for organising the production of

session included Dr. Subhi Tibi member of the AFPDMA, and Tahseen Jihad, chairman of the Arab Pharmacists Federation, who said that promoting the production of drugs and medicine means developing health ser-

vices in Arab countries. The participants in the meeting were divided into seven working groups, each with a specific task, covering such subjects as controls over drug production, marketing of medicine in the Arab World, raw materials used in the production of drugs and other related

In his inaugural speech to the symposium on Monday, Prince Hassan stressed the need for an exchange of expertise among Arab states in drug production and urged scientific research for improving the quality of phar-maceutical products.

Referring to drug industry in Jordan, the Crown Prince said that it has reached high levels, and that nearly 70 per cent of the country's pharmaceutical produc-Other speakers at Tuesday's and friendly nations. . . tion is being exported to Arab

Khatib praises King's summit efforts in address at Yarmouk University IRBID (Petra) — Minister of this approach into all its policies. Union and a number of other

Information Mohammad Al Khatib on Tuesday praised the unique the Amman summit, Mr. Khatib and untiring efforts made by His said that the summit was excep-Majesty King Hussein in holding tional among other Arab sumthe extraordinary Arab summit in mits, in that it has dealt with all Amman in November, saying that these efforts contributed to the conference's success.

Addressing students from Yarmouk University's Faculty of Mass Communications and Information, Mr. Khatib said that Jordan has always adopted a pan-

After reviewing the results of major Arab causes. The Arab leaders' determination to reach a unified Arab stand also distinguished this summit from others, according to Mr. Khatib.

The information minister noted that King Hussein, in his capacity as the current chairman of the Arab stand and has integrated Arab summit, will visit the Soviet

countries to brief their leaders on the outcome of summit and to explain the dimensions of the joint Arab stand.

At the end of the meeting, Mr. Khatib responsed to students' questions on the outcome of the

The meeting was attended by President of the Yarmouk University Mohammad Hamdan. deans of faculties and department heads, in addition to the teaching

arrangements of "Good Bye

Stranger" or to the tight and

irresistible rhythm of "Hear-

tache" and you will understand

that fame and fortune do not

always come easy, even (or

maybe especially) in pop music.

satisfied with just good music and

the show part must be up to very

high standards. Pepsi & Shirlie

look very good on video clips.

Accompanying the two stars is another star, Phil Fearon &

Galaxy. Phil feels at home when

in the Top Ten of the charts. He

is an extremely active musician

and, in addition to making his

own music, has also produced

some of Pepsi & Shirlie's songs.

Amman's musical sky just a few

days before Christmas. Santa

With all these stars twinkling in

Today's pop scene cannot be

Pepsi & Shirlie bring star quality, officials from the Iraqi Scientific economic advisor at the prime they met with officials in charge Research Council and the Royal minister's office. bright British pop music to Amman Scientific Society... On the Iraqi side it was on the activities designed to attended by the ministers of promote the local communities, The Jordanian side to the highfew celebrities have come to per-form in Jordan. Apart from blend of high-pitched sound and By Jean-Claude Elias transport, communications and er committee meetings included oil as well as the under secretary

Special to the Jordan Times AMMAN - Under the patron-

the Jordanian Save the Children Fund, British pop stars Pepsi & Shirlie, along with Phil Fearson & Galaxy, will give a series of concerts in Amman.

The first performance will take place tonight at the Palace of Culture in the King Hussein Sports_City, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Two other concerts are scheduled; one at the Jordan Intercontinental Hotel; and another at the Palace of Culture again on Dec. 18 at 6:00 p.m.

For several years now, music lovers in Amman — whether jazz, classical or pop fans — have been treated to top-quality concerts by very talented musicians. However, the fact remains that

age of Her Royal Highness Princess Basma, and for the benefit of the lorder and for the lorder and attracted large audiences.

Pepsi & Shirlie make a difference. Several appearances on the "Music Box" TV programme, an excellent "hit" song — "Good Bye Stranger" and their previous work with the celebrated British group Wham make a full-house concerts a certainty. They were also seen in the video clip for the Ferry-Aid, Let It Be, along with former Beatle Paul McCartney and other

Brazilian Sergio Mendes, who aggressive typical pop from one planist Eric Berchot, the other artists could not be considered as real stars by the current show business standards, though most of them were brilliant and

well-known British and American

Pepsi & Shirlie possess vocal

Hamzeh meets W **HO advisor** AMMAN (J.T.) — Minister of

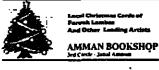
Health Zaid Hamzeh met in his office on Tuesday with Dr. Alauddin Freidun, an advisor to the World Health Organisation (WHO) and discussed with him the prospect of establishing a training centre in Amman specialising in blood transfusions.

Discussions at the meeting also covered preparations for a sym-

posium on blood transfusion, to be held here. Dr. Freidun, for his part, briefed Dr. Hamzeh on the WHO's ideas on the establishment of the blood transfusion

training centre.

Claus could not have done better.



Palestinian uprising rages throughout occupied territories (Continued from page 1) helmeted Israeli troops carrying had no reliable casualty figures. the cheek with a rock, injuring wooden truncheons in Ramallah, "There are not less than 700 "But we have the feeling this wounded," Khalil Al Wazir told

The soldiers, beating Arabs and detaining dozens, charged inside the hospital, photographer Max Nash said. One protester was seen being dragged by his bair to an Israeli army truck, vhere he fell to his knees.

A second protester whose shirt was covered with blood was pulled by soldiers from an army command car to a stretcher and orderlies took him into a hospital. Soldiers were also seen chasing a Palestinian woman into a cor-

ner, where they surrounded her until an orderly intervened and pulled her away from the troops. The 20-minute army action cleared the hospital grounds of about 300 demonstrators. Troops then left the Shifa courtyard and continued to patrol the surround-

black smoke and the acrid smell of tear-gas filled the air.

A U.N. official said the escalation violence appeared due in part to harassment by Israeli troops patrolling Gaza refugee

ing roads, where columns of

camps. In two instances, soldiers tied blindfolded Palestinian boys to the hoods of their jeeps to prevent stone throwing as they toured the Jelazoun refugee camp, the official told AP on

condition of anonymity. The Palestine Press Service and another Arab reporter said four Palestinians had been killed in Gaza, including one in the northern town of Beit Hanoun, one at the Shati refugee camp outside Gaza City and two others at Shifa

Hospital. The two Arab sources also said one of the Arabs was killed by Israeli troops when Palestinians from the Shati refugee camp near Gaza City, angered by the violence, charged towards a military beadquarters near the camp. Soldiers responded by opening fire, the Arab journalists said.

In the occupied West Bank.

about 25 kilometres north of Jerusalem, ordered shopkeepers to end a commercial strike staged against the recent violence.

As soon as the troops were out of sight, small groups of angrylooking protesters ordered the shopkeepers to close down again and then threw building blocks at stores whose owners did not immediately comply.

Outside Ramallah, AP reporter Dan Izenberg saw the same troops weld shut the iron shutters of a furniture store after accusing the shopkeeper of taking part in the commercial strike.

The shopkeeper, gesticulating with her hands, pleaded with the commander to withdraw the order. Later she aid she tried to explain to the officer she had come late for work and was attempting to open up when the soldiers arrived.

Izenberg also saw an Israeli officer snatch the glasses off one Arab passer-by, punch him in the face and order him to leave the area. A Palestinian taxi was parked nearby with its front window smashed.

At Birzeit University, about 500 students staged a march, chanting Palestinian slogans.

According to reports reaching Amman on Tuesday, the situation in the occupied territories remained explosive in the face of the ruthless Israeli campaign to stamp out the protests.

Two of the Palestinians who died Tuesday were identified as Talal Ahmad Huwaigi, 17, and Mahmoud Al Sakhil, 18.

Workers working inside what is called the "green line" were on strike and all traffic movement stopped in all towns, villages, refugee camps and colleges.

In Amman, a Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) military leader said on Tuesday that at least 700 Palestinian casualties had been caused in the last seven time, from the first-hand accounts that we have received. common elements." that the casualties are more than

nians injured in the past week of what has appeared so far," he protests had stayed at home betold Reuters. cause they were afraid to go to Mr. Wazir arrived in Amman on Tuesday to lead the PLO side "The Israelis are kidnapping in meetings of a joint Jordanianpeople from their hospital beds Palestinian Committee for Supporting the Steadfastness of the

Arab People in the Occupied Territories. Mr. Abu Jihad gave no figure for the number killed in what he He also held talks with Mr. Dudin in the highest level contact described as a popular uprising between Jordan and the PLO and a revolution. In Baghdad, an since last month's Arab summit in

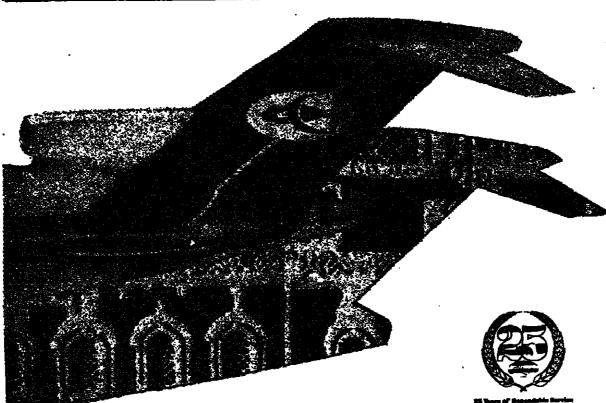
adviser to PLO leader Yasser Arafat said on Tuesday that 36 Amman. Asked if his visit to Amman Palestinians had been killed and might help to heal Jordan-PLO Occupied Territories Affairs difference, Mr. Wazir said: "It's a Minister Marwan Dudin said he step on the road. If we have health and social welfare."

different political stands, that must not cut our relations. We must both discuss and search for

Mr. Dudin described his talks with Mr. Wazir as very friendly and fruitful. "When we meet like this, we don't have differences. On these subjects, we can agree,' he said. He said they had reviewed aid

given to the West Bank and Gaza since the joint committee last met in June to decide how to use a Saudi Arabian donation of \$9.5 million. The Saudis gave another \$9.5 million last month.

'We found we had allocated \$14 million in June, but not all items were spent," Mr. Dudin said. "We now have about \$9 million to allocate for education,



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U.N. shares the blame

IT IS not a big surprise that the United Nations Security Council is seized concurrently with the "uprising" of the Palestinian people in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and the deteriorating situation in the Gulf. Both conflicts have yet to be addressed fully and effectively, and the direction of events in both cases has but one way to go - downhill.

By all accounts, the casualty toll in the West Bank and Gaza Strip is greater than the number revealed by the Israeli authorities, who have developed a habit of covering up the true intensity of the revolt against its occupation and suppression of Palestinians. It is as if Israel wants to portray its occupation as a fait accompli, and that the Palestinians in the occupied territories have reconciled themselves to permanent occupation

Likewise, the situation in the Gulf is being aggravated by Iran's rejection of U.N. Security Council Resolution 598 and by the refusal of that council, as yet, to adopt the anticipated follow-up resolution envisaging the application of sanctions against Iran to enforce the ceasefire resolution. It will be recalled that the U.N. secretary-general has strongly indicated the failure of his negotiations with Iranian officials intended to secure Iran's formal acceptance of Resolution 598.

In both situations, the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Iran-Iraq war, the stumbling blocks remain Israel and Iran, but also the permanent members of the Security Council, which have yet to support the measures which can lead to just and durable settlements to the two conflicts. If the permanent Security Council members continue their procrastination in taking the measures necessary for enforcing their resolutions, they must assume their share, along with Iran and Israel, in responsibility for the continuation of violence and bloodshed in the occupied Arab territories and for the perpetual worsening of the situation in the Gulf region.

THE ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i: The uprising continues

IT is rather inaccurate to count the uprising in the Israeli-held Arab territory in days or months because the uprising against injustice and oppression has been going on since the day Israel occupied Arab land. Ever since Zionist forces invaded the Arab land. Arab citizens have been showing heroic resistance and steadfastness no matter how barbaric and brutal the Israelis were. This resistance has been maintained despite Israel's economic siege and inhuman practices against the Arab people of Palestine who are determined to pursue the struggle for freedom. These days, the Palestinian land is witnessing a popular uprising, with people leaving their homes in the villages and the towns and going out to the streets, hurling stones and rocks on the occupation forces, and in return, receiving bullets which kill and injure many of them. This is happening before the whole world and before those people who keep bragging about their keenness on safeguarding human rights and claiming that they are concerned about peace. These people are now looking on as the massacres continue, and as they watch Zionist terrorism being enacted in full force. As the violence continues and the Israelis escalate their oppression against the Arab people of Palestine and as human rights are being violated, we do not hear condemnation of Israel's practices and we do not see any moves designed to stop the Zionist rulers from continuing their atrocities. It seems as though Israel and other world forces hostile to the Arabs have now joined hands against the Arabs in general and the Palestinian people seeking freedom in particular.

Al Dustour: King consolidates summit's

KING Hussein has just completed another tour of Arab states in the course of his programme to follow up on the positive outcome of the Amman summit meeting. The King is pursuing his efforts for creating a new Arab reality and for bostering inter-Arab ties in all respects. The King who began his tour by visiting Damuscus, Baghdad, Cairo and Riyadh is keen on maintaining the spirit that prevailed at the Amman summit meeting which achieved consensus and agreement for the Arabs. The tours the King is making now and his falks with the Arab heads of state resemble those he made successfully before the convening of the summit in Amman where the Arabs reaped the fruit of his endeavours. The current tours and the meetings with the Arab leaders should be regarded as part of the King's on-going endeavours to maximise pan-Arab solidarity and joint Arab action. benefitting the whole Arab Nation. The King is determined to translate the positive Arab stand into a practical reality to serve the Arabs in the coming stage.

Sawt Al Shaab: Reaping the fruit of King's

KING Hussein has made a tour of five Arab Gulf countries. underlining the unique relationship Jordan maintains with them and following up the outcome of the successful Arab summit meeting held last month. There is no doubt that Jordan's efforts at the moment are concentrating on bolstering Arab solidarity and deepening inter-Arab coordination and cooperation. This step is essential in view of the internal and external challenges contronting the Arabs and for the sake of fending off the danger posed to the Arab Nation. Arab states have discovered that only through solidarity and concerted efforts can they arrive at their objectives and confront the serious challenges. It is therefore important for the Gulf countries to unite their forces to deal with the Iranian aggression, and it is the duty of the rest of the Arab countries to back such efforts. Jordan's moves at the moment, as the Gulf Cooperation Council states open a meeting to discuss the situation in their region, reflects this country's keenness on rallying all possible support for the Arab Nation's moves to defend Arab masses and protect Arab soil.

Murphy: U.S. condemns violence, extremism in all forms; supports economic, social programmes in the occupied territories; encourages Israel to ensure occupation consistent with international standards

policy for the West Bank and private voluntary organisations in Gaza: Promoting direct negotiations between Israel and the difficulties have arisen. He said Arabs to achieve peace while that "for fiscal year 1987, we

So said the Reagan administration's leading Mideast official, Richard W. Murphy, testifying on Monday before the House of Representatives Mideast subcom-

Murphy, the assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs, said that "active efforts for peace and improvements in the quality of life are... essential to sustain each

Having noted the flare-up of violence in the occupied territordescribed as "harsh security measures by Israeli occupation authorities," Murphy said the United States:

- Condemns all violence and - Supports economic and so-

cial betterment for the Palesti-- Encourages Israel to assure that its occupation practices are

consistent with international standards and legitimate security Murphy reported that U.S.

assistance in the occupied territories responds to the need to help fund social services, such as health care, sanitation, vocational training and care of the elderly and handicapped. Some of the assistance is direct, some of it is provided in conjunction with Jordan and some with the United Nations Relief and Works Agenry for Palestinian Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA).

Murphy pointed to acute need in Gaza, where he said, a rapid population growth "has made it one of the most densely populated areas in the world.

Since 1975, he said, the United

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(Continued from page 1) day of solidarity in memory of the dead next Monday and a minute's silence at midday.

Condemning Israel's "barbaric and inhumane" methods, the communique said the latest uprising was a direct result of more than 40 years of Israeli occupation and the inability of the international community to end it.

The Palestinian people would continue battling until they obtained their national rights and an independent state, it said.

At the United Nations on Monday, Jordan described the Palestinian protests in the occupied West Bank as an overwhelming popular revolt.

"These events are the result of the continued Israeli occupation and Israel's conduct and practices to consolidate that occupation." Ambassador Abdullah Salah said at a late-night meeting of the 15-nation council.

"The cause of the unrest is the lack of any political solution, any light at the end of the tunnel." Mr. Salah said.

Mr. Salah said the fundamental problem was Israeli occupation and Israel's desire to annex the occupied lands after depopulating

Mr. Salah pointed out to reports submitted to the Security Council from neutral commissions investigating the situation in the occupied territories and Israel's violations of basic human rights and said that the Palestinian citizens "are constantly exposed to forms of repression and arbitrary action and are denied

their basic human rights." Mr. Salah told the council that the schoolchildren of Gaza, Khan Younis and Nablus demonstrated against the Israeli practices in their region only to be responded to by indiscriminate shooting on the part of the Israeli troops killing and injuring scores of

He said the Security Council ought to safeguard its credibility and supported by the peace-loving nations of the world should help put an end to Israel's atroci-

WAHINGTON (USIA) - The States has provided more than. The state of war, now in its United States has a two-track \$76 million to fund projects of fortieth year, and the occupation, the West Bank and Gaza, but a toll on the 1.5 million Palestiimproving the quality of Palesti- requested \$18 million, but were peace and a political agreement, able to provide only \$8.5 million." He said \$12 million was asked for 1988. He added that "iffunding remains at the 1987 level it will be very difficult to undertake new projects.' Murphy noted that the United

States has cooperated with Jordan's economic development programme for the occupied territories, providing \$18.5 million since September 1986. "To have a major impact, however, Jordan's programme needs substantial additional funding," he told the congressional panel, adding ies in the past week and what he that the Reagan administration was requesting an additional \$23 million for this year, beyond the \$7 million sought in fiscal year

In support of "UNRWA's efforts to sustain decent conditions in the refugee camps," Murphy reported that the United States contributed \$67 million toward the agency's \$200-million budget for activities in Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, the West Bank and

Following is the text of Murphy's statement to the subcom-

I welcome this opportunity to testify on U.S. policy regarding the West Bank and Gaza; territories occupied by Israel since the June, 1967 Middle East war.

U.S. policy toward the West Bank and Gaza has two major objectives. First, we support a resolution of the status of these territories in the context of a lasting peace to be achieved through direct negotiations between Israel and its Arab neighbours. And, second; we want to improve the quality of Palestinian life in the territories

These two objectives are complementary. An active peace process gives both Israelis and Palestinians in the territories the promise of an end to strife, future for themselves and their

The expectation that a just and comprehensive peace is possible and that active efforts are continuing to achieve it preserves hope and encourages movements toward reconciliation. At the same time, practical measures to improve the daily lives of Palestinians help to reinforce efforts toward a comprehensive political settlement while reducing the frustrations that are one cause of extremism and violence. Active . efforts for peace and improvements in the quality of life are. therefore essential to sustain each other: ·

Before responding to your questions, I would like to review the current situation .in the West Bank and Gaza, and U.S. policies and programmes.

now in its twenty-first year, exact nians in the territories, and on Israel as well. In the absence of the prevailing atmosphere is one of tension and mutual mistrust. This environment produces protest demonstrations by Palestinians, acts of violence by both Palestinians and Israeli settlers, and harsh security measures by Israeli occupation authorities which are sometimes inconsistent with recognised international

standards. The situation in the occupied territories fluctuates between periods of calm and periods of unrest, but tensions are chronic and appear to be increasing. especially in the refugee camps and among younger Palestinians. Last week's eruption of violent confrontation reminds us of the deep communal conflict, and of the unresolved political status of the West Bank and Gaza. At least seven Palestinians and one Israeli have been killed during these latest tragic events, and many more have been wounded.

Israel continues to limit severely Palestinian family reunification, which the U.S. regards as an important humanitarian issue. In 1986, about 1400 individuals were allowed to rejoin their families. an increase over the previous two years' approval rate. This was encouraging; however, Palesti-10.000 applications, many for entire families, are pending.

The situation in the occupied territories is clearly unsatisfactory to both Palestinians and Israelis. Aganist this background, the United States, while continuing to encourage Israel and her Arab neighbours to find a way to the negotiating table, pursues a three-part policy toward the West Bank and Gaza:

- We condemn violence and extremism in all forms, and from

- We support programmes to improve economic and social conditions for the Palestinians; and We encourage Israel to assure that its occupation practices are consistent with accepted

international standards and the legitimate needs of maintaining In keeping with our close and friendly relationship, we have an active and serious dialogue with

Israel on these aspects of our

policy. Long-term economic development in the West Bank and Gaza is supported, in principle, by both Israel and Jordan, and certain policies have been adopted by both governments to support growth. However, although the standard of living has risen, the potential of these areas is far from being realised because of

and protectionist policies im-

increasingly well educated labour

now employed in the service or manual labour sectors in Israel. However, there are very few opportunities for Palestinian secondary and college graduates in Israel. Social problems in the West

Bank must be viewed in the context of the continuing occupation, the lack of economic development and the absence of local public institutions. Social services, including secondary health care, sanitation, vocational training, and care of the elderly and handicapped are largely undertaken by non-governmental groups. Their funding is often precarious and their activities are subject to control by the occupation authorities. The problem is especially acute in Gaza. where the very rapid population growth rate has made it one of the most densely populated areas in the world and has significantly increased the demand for social services.

U.S. assistance programmes to the West Bank and Gaza respond to these economic and social problems. Our assitance flows through separate but mutually reinforcing channels: the direct programme, Jordan's development programme, and UNRWA, which provides assistance to over nian sources state that over two million Palestinian refugees, of whom over 800,000 reside in the West Bank and Gaza.

We have provided over \$76 million to fund projects of private voluntary organisations (PVOs) in the West Bank and Gaza since 1975. In addition to health and social services, we have increasingly directed our aid toward longer term development needs, particularly employment

A major impediment to further PVO activities is our inability to fund the programme adequately. For fiscal year 1987, we requested \$18 million but were able to provide only \$8.5 million. For 1988, taking into account U.S. budget stringencies, we requested \$12 million. If funding remains at the 1987 level it will be very difficult to undertake new pro-

In 1986, King Hussein announced an important new economic development programme for the occupied territories, Jordan's programme focuses on infrastructure development, education, and agriculture in the territories. We have provided \$18.5 million since September, 1986 for King Hussein's initiative. Britain, Italy and West Germany have also pledged support.

Jordan's programme is making progress. Municipalities and other local organisations have the unresolved status of the terri- , submitted proposals whose costs tories and by various constraints, far exceed Jordan's current ability to fund them, clearly indicat-

posed by Israel and Jordan. As a ing a willingness by West Baukers result, job creation has not kept and Gazans to work with the up with the rapidly growing and Jordanians to improve their social and economic conditions.

To have a major impact. About 90,000 Palestinians are however, Jordan's programme needs substantial additional funding. We are requesting an additional \$23 million for this year. beyond the \$7 million we sought in fiscal year '88. We continue to encourage our friends to contribute, but they are hesitant to allocate scarce resources to a new, untested programme. Our strongest argument with them is that we have enough confidence in King Hussein's initiative for all of us to provide significant funding, even though we face a major

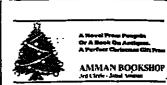
budgetary crisis. We support UNRWA's efforts to sustain decent conditions in the refugee camps. In 1987, UN-RWA's expenditures in the territories were approximately \$82 million. The U.S. contributed \$67 million to UNRWA's \$200 million budget for activities in Lebanon, Syria and Jordan, as well as the West Bank and Gaza.

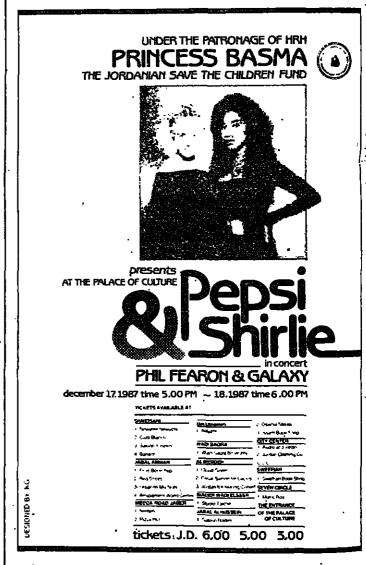
Economic assistance to the West Bank and Gaza cannot substitute for vigorous private sector growth and development.

We believe artificial constraints should be eliminated, and there has been some modest success. The European Community has granted preferential access to certain commodities from the West Bank and Gaza and has sought goods to flow more freely to Western Europe. We understand that Israel and the European Community have made some progress in defining how Palestinians will be able to take advantage of these trade concessions Export growth is critical to the economic future of the territories and we hope that the sides will work to resolve outstanding

In 1986, the first Arab Bank to operate in the territories since 1967 was opened and a second branch opened this year. Both have attracted sizable deposits, and plans are underway to open a third branch. The provision of Arab banking services in the territories can help create a more normal environment for business expansion.

Ultimately, problems in the West Bank and Gaza cannot be fully resolved in the absence of an agreement to end the occupation in a way that is accepted by the Palestinian inhabitants, by Israelis and by their Arab neighbours. Until then, we will seek ways to improve conditions in the territories.





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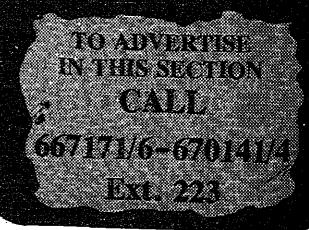
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Media graduates - increasing numbers, limited opportunities Gorbachev's warm

By Lamis K. Andoni Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN -- The plight of unemployed communications graduates has underscored prevailing conceptual differences towards education and journalism; for while some writers questioned the feasibility of teaching journalism at the college level, others strongly argue that a scientific approach to journalism is relevant for developing and improving the local mass media and the press.

But since the majority of the unemployed are graduates of the Yarmouk University the ongoing debate has focused on the university's mass communications and journalism department. In fact some writers have gone as far as calling for the department's closure while others strongly defended it on the basis of the country's need for qualified journalists and media specialists.

Despite the local focus on the future of Yarmouk University's communications and journalism department the debate itself has for sometimes been a familiar one in the developing countries and reflect the different approaches to the flow of information on the regional and international levels.

Supporters of teaching journalism at the college level, and consequently some defenders of the Yarmouk department, argue that journalists have to be exposed to the different schools of journalisms and to different

The gist of this argument is that exposure to such theories raise future journalists' awareness and consequently enhance their contribution to their countries' social and economic progress. Furthermore, as proponents of this approach contend, this exposure could contribute to the formation of more independent media perception of events in the developing countries.

"With all due respect to the sophistication of the Western media we cannot afford to continue perceiving events in our countries and in other developing countries through Western eyes. a media specialist who asked not to be named said. "We have a different set of problems. We cannot rule out the clash of interests which can some times characterise Western coverage regardless of its alleged 'objectiv-ity. he added. But even if some specialists believe that this is a highly controversial argument many agree on the need of developing a scientific approach to journalism and news coverage. "A scientific approach to journalism is exactly what we are trying to teach." chairman of the Yarmouk University's mass communications and journalism department Dr. Ziad Rifai told the Jordan Times. "But unfortunately that is exactly what some people, including writers, are fighting." Dr. Rifai added.

The main argument of the other group is that journalism basically depended on individual talents and knowledge and therefore could not be taught. Dr. Rifai agrees that talent is needed but he argues that a scientific approach can strengthen and enhance the journalists ability. "The era of solely depending on

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flowery language in journalism is. gone, it is the content that really matters in contemporary journalism," he said.

Some writers, however, do not dispute the philosophy behind teaching journalism but argue that the country could not accommodate more graduates of the same specialisation.

However, and regardless of the varying opinions about the Yar-University's communications department almost all officials, academics and writers interviewed by the Jordan Times agreed that the problem of the department's unemployed graduates should be solved.

Like many Jordanian university graduates, the Yarmouk University's communications department's graduates were affected by the economic slow down in the country. According to official fi-gures around 9,784 B.A. holders have applied for public sector jobs until the beginning of this December. Thus, in comparison. the problem of the estimated 153 communications graduates seems

of a smaller proportion. Unemployment among jour-, nalism graduates, according to experts, is not solely dependent on economic factors but is also partly influenced by the ongoing debate on the country's need for such a specialisation. Another factor, observers say, is the controversy over the standard of the concerned Yarmouk department. The latter is of particular importance since 112 of the unemployed journalism graduates come from the Yarmouk University.

graduated since the establishment of the department back in 1983. have been employed by the . Ministry of Information at its various departments including the official news agency. Petra. and Radio Jordan.

The same applies to the local press which also employed a similar number at the three local newspapers, while a number of the graduates, according to their unemployed colleagues, are currently attending the two-year compulsory military service. others have joined the police department.

public relations sectors in the country."

But four years later officials, newspaper editors" and writers

graduates: - The unavailability of job vacancies in both sectors which are "already saturated" with em-

- The "weak standard' of these graduates.

· The graduates' inability "tomaster English" and consequently their failure to perfect translations as required by some depart-

But while officials and editors agree that the problem of these unemployed graduates should be redressed, each holds the other responsible for the mission.

On one hand the local newspapers, which are partly owned by the government, claim that it is the government's responsibility to secure jobs for these graduates particularly since "... it was an official decision to set up the department." On the other hand ploying a number of these gradu-

Information Minister Mohammed Al Khatib told the Jordan Times in a recent interview that the ministry was not doing enough to solve the problem of the unemployed graduates. I admit that we have not done enough, but we are genuinely concerned about the problem."

But there have not been In other words the demand for enough job placements and there such a specialisation has so far were hardly any vacancies for proved very low in both sectors. such specialisations in the other According to available statistics ministries," he said, "therefore, nalists lack, only ten out of the 537, who the co-operation of the local press

A senior editor of an Arab daily said that the newspapers "could not possibly be expected to solve the graduates problem unless it would fire some of its

But instead of contributing to concrete solutions to the problem, the ongoing debate took a completely different direction. During the summer, the daily Arabic newspapers were splashed with commentaries against or in communication's department.

Some writers even called for the closure of the department since "...unemployment among

family oriented."

for them in their underwear.

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industry standards.

This argument provoked strong reactions from Dr. Mazen Al Armouti, the first and former dean of the department and Dr. cited three reasons which restrict. Issam Musa, a professor of jourthe employment of the Yarmouk nalism, who argued that the demand for the closure of the department "reflected the narrow interests of few writers who consider the new graduates a threat

to their status. "The whole issue (of unemployment) is exaggerated and blown out of proportions." Dr. Armouti said. "unemployment applies, and in bigger propor-

tions, to all other majors." In his view the campaign reflected clear "bias against the Yarmouk graduates." According to Dr. Armouti. hostility towards the department started from the very beginning. This accusation, however, was denied by officials who argued that there was no particular "bias against the de-

partment. Nevertheless the whole debate. judging by the interviews and the columns, has also underlined conflicting attitude towards such speofficials and academics believe cialisation in general. According the local press should shoulder its to some articles studying journalresponsibility of training and em- . ism was not and should not be "a prerequisite to making a good iournalist.

> Again Dr. Armouti and Dr. Musa disagreed. "Journalism is increasingly becoming dependent on scientific and technological knowledge and rules." wrote Dr. Musa in the Arabic daily Sawt Al Shaab 'last .summer.

Dr. Armouti pointed out that Yarmouk graduates get comprehensive training in all aspects of fournalism including the use of modern technological methods of which many practising local jour-

Furthermore, Dr. Armouti said, that the department taught three separate specialisations including journalism, public relations and montage. "Therefore it is not possible that there is not a unless it would fire some of its own employees ...and we cannot possibly afford that."

need for these specialisations in the country." he noted. Both Dr. Armouti and Dr. Musa resented the claims about the graduates 'weak standard.'

"To begin with we cannot be blamed for the fact that many students come to the university with weak standards." he said. ."But if anyone insists on arguing* support of the Yarmouk mass about the standard, then how about the low standard and qualification of a number of local fournalists and employees of the. information departments?" he asked.

In his article Dr. Musa strongly refused such accusations. He pointed out the fact that the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), has chosen the department to carry out studies on the media and related subjects. Both professors reacted simi-

larly to the claims that chances for the graduates employment and placement were undermined

by their weak knowledge in English. Dr. Armouti pointed out. that the educational system, especially, during school years was to be blamed for the students' weak command of the English language. "But if they insist that the graduates should sit for an English aptitude test, then the same should apply to all employees in the different information departments including senior officials. Dr. Armouti suggested. A similar proposal was made by Dr. Musa. And then let us see how many will pass this test." Dr. Armouti challenged, "but one has to remember that these students were trained to work in the Arabic

for the Jordan Times. According to Dr. Armouti the problem of the unemployed was highlighted partly due to the successful campaign launched by a group of their colleagues.

language speaking press and not

The "mass communication unemployed graduates lobby" is led energetic and enthusiastic young graduates. Milad Khouri and Khaled Mubarak..both 1984graduates, have been actively and relentlessly campaigning for their cause. During the summer they had knocked the doors of almost all concerned officials and editors. They were received by some including the Director General of the Civil Service Commission Ibrahim Izz Eddin and Jordan Press Association President Rakan Al Majali but were also turned down by other officials who merely refused to see them.

Mr. Izz Eddin later told the Jordan Times that the group had legitimate concerns but that "it is just that there are not enough placements available for them.

Both Mr. Mubarak and Mr. Khouri believe that the organisational structures of the public sector has to be modified to include public relations departments which can employ a big number of the graduates. Mr. Izz Eddin, who totally

supported and agreed with the idea, said that the commission had requested that the health and education ministries set such de-partments. Well-informed sources told the Jordan Times last week that the Ministry of Health has finally agreed to employ five graduates as public felations

"It is partly a conceptual prob-lem." Mr. Izz Eddin commented. "many people, both in the private and public sectors, are not aware of the importance of public rela-

Mr. Khatib noted that there was "a need to raise the publicawareness of the significance of public relations." He also agreed that this could contribute greatly. to solving the graduates problem-

Last week some ministries seemed to be responding to the proposals of the Civil Service Commission, which reported demands by the ministries of agriculture, health and education for public relations, graduates. The commission has nominated 21 graduates but there was no information of how many would be actually hired. Meanwhile, some graduates remain vulnerable to be exploited ruthlessly by some press offices in Jordan. According to Mr. Khouri and Mr. Mubarak around 21 graduates were exploited by press offices of Arab Gulf, and other news-

The new graduates, eager to obtain the needed experience agree to work for these offices. But as it turned out in many cases the offices gave them work but did not carry their bylines on the stories and some were not even paid. "Thus they ended without the credit and the money; and worse, they could not even prove that they have had any working experience," Mr. Khouri com-

What makes these graduates more vulnerable to these exploits is that they lack the protection of the JPA. According to the JPA rules, a journalist is not admitted to the association unless completing three months of working experience. "But if we are unemployed how can we get the required experience that is how we end up moving in a vicious circle," Mr. Khouri concluded. The problem has, however, captured the JPA attentions which plans to hold a panel discussion on "unemployment among journalism graduates" on December 19 under the patronage of His Royal

Highness Crown Prince Hassan. According to JPA sources the conference will discuss a draft resolution calling for the establishment of more newspapers to absorb the growing number of unemployed journalists. The resolution, however, is expected to face strong opposition.

The plight of these graduates was cited as an example to substantiate calls for the closure of the department. But the graduates refused such logic. "We are totally against the closure of the department, because it would not be fair for those who aspire to become journalists and public relation officers and who cannot afford to travel abroad to pursue their education," Mr. Khouri said.

Former Information Minister Laila Sharaf said that the two. issues of the feasibility of the continuation of the department and that of the unemployed journalists should be treated separately. "There is no doubt that there should be a comprehensive assessment of the feasibility of the department in accordance with the needs of the country. Mrs. Sharaf told the Jordan Times, "yet the pressing problem of the unemployed graduates should be redressed separately and at the earliest time possible."

The well-known writer and col-umnist Khaled Mahadin express-.ed the view that the local newspapers should give the chance to graduates and then train those who seem to have a promising future.

"It is unfair to make a generalisation on all of the graduates by claiming that they are all weak." he said. "this is not logical. but they should be given a chance and the local press and the governmental information departments are both responsible for providing them the oppor-

Meanwhile Mr. Khatib said that he expected the problem of most of the graduates to be "radi; cally solved by the first months of 1988 when the new appointment lists would be issued by the Civil Service Commission.

public image captivates adversary nation

By William M. Welch The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As Mikhail Gorbachev's limousine pulled up at the White House more than an hour late, a waiting President Ronald Reagan told him with mock impatience. "I thought you'd gone home."

No. Mr. President, he was only out stealing the show.

Gorbachey and his auburn-. haired wife Raisa in four days captivated an adversary nation.

The Reagan-Gorbachev summit may be most significant in political terms for the signatures placed on a treaty banning intermediate-range nuclear missiles, for unspecified progress on broader arms reductions and for agreement to meet again in Moscow next year.

But the memory Americans will carry from this historic week is of the warm face this young Soviet leader put forward.

Some critics expressed disappointment that no bigger agreements were achieved. No matter. The novelty of Gorbachev's visit, and his deft touch at public imagery, left a glow that enveloped both him and Reagan with high approval ratings in the

From the time his Ilvushin 62 jetliner touched down at Andrews air force base on Monday afternoon. Gorbachev lived up to his advance billing as a leader unlike any seen before in the Kremlin. There was his startling, plunge into a sidewalk crowd, frank-talks with America's leading capitalists and a remarkable two-hour news conference before departing.

"The guy is a P.R. (public relations) genius." declared one Washington woman, still stunned to be walking down Connecticu' Avenue one moment and in the next, shaking hands with the Soviet Communist Party general secretary.

For all the warm rhetoric and utopian talk of peace on both sides, however, it was clear as the summit adjourned that hard differences remain.

Behind Gorbachev's glossy imagery could be seen suggestions of the tough politician well capable of the fight that put him atop Soviet leadership - and one with aspirations to remain there.

He showed irritation and impatience with the incessant questions about Soviet human rights, Jewish emigration, and Soviet pullout from Afghanistan. Differ-

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Will give less than The Excellency?

ences over Reagan's "Star Wars" programme, the strategic detense initiative, were finessed, not resolved.

In his news conference with selected representatives of the world's press. Gorbachev talked solidly for more than an hour. . ultimately imparting little information.

He lectured Western reporters. using the favourite Soviet word that describes the restructuring at home that is at the centre of his hopes to modernise his nation.

"I'm just trying to say that the media has to go in for some perestroika, too, and to master some new thinking " he said. And for all the talk of glusnost.

or a new Soviet openness, the Soviets showed precious little of it in the circus-like events surrounding their week in Washington.

Mrs. Gorbachev, battling a public-image problem at home that suggests she's too visible and too quick to spend, tried to keep a low profile for much of the trip.

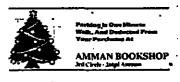
Her schedule was largely a mystery that left reporters waiting fruitlessly by the hour. Talk persisted that she and U.S. first lady Nancy Reagan didn't fully warm to one another.

But in her own way, Mrs. Gorbachev broke through the restrictions that bound her, crossing a street to meet beseeching reporters Thursday, and, through television cameras, to talk to-America. She proclaimed the summit and the leaders' agreement "the victory of both the American and Soviet peoples. We must live and hope that there will be further steps taken."

Gorbachev's order to halt his motorcade ride with Vice President George Bush, while Reagan awaited them: may be the-most enduring memory of his visit.

Stunned secret service and KGB agents covered their guns and shouted at onlookers to keep, their hands visible. Bush watched, looking uneasy at first, as Gorbachev smiled and worked the growd like a candidate.

Bush and Senate minority leader Bob Dole, rivals for the Republican presidential nomination. each got private moments the Soviet leader.





These conclusions appear to be rather disappointing to the whole idea of setting the communications department in "...response its graduates proved that there to the demand and needs of the was no demand for such a spevarious media, information and cialisation." The famous give everything from boxer shorts to diamonds The maharajah had it fully cause it was such a change from By Dan Cox refurbished into royal apartments usual interviews. Reuter. There were also, distinct difand presented it to her. NEW YORK - Ever wonder The man who has uncovered all ferences in the gifts of individual what the rich and famous give as these unusual gifts and more, countries. including diamonds and antique. "In England they were more

cameos, is Stuart Jacobson,

whom Business Week calls the

giving and who is the author of

"The Art of Giving," a new book that documents several hundred

of the most famous gifts given in

Obviously people are into the

rich and famous," Jacobson said from his hotel room while on a

promotional tour for the book.

"But people are also into rela-

tionships. Behind every gift is a

In 18 months of interviews

Jacobson found an array of di-

verse and often bizarre stories

The 30-year-old Jacobson.

whose first book "Only the Best"

told stories of American gift giv-

ing, says this time he was in-

terested in European tales of

So he compiled a list of celebri-

ties - artists, politicians.

athletes, royalty, heads of state

- and set out to interview them.

Most were happy to talk about

their favourite gifts, he said, be-

behind the gifts.

Mother visited the French coun- world's foremost authority on gift

Europe.

NEW YORK (AP) — John Ogrodnick's power-play goal broke a 3-3 tie with 8:59 remaining to give the New York Rangers to a 4-3 NHL victory over the Detroit Red Wings Monday night.

Ogrodnick, a former Red Wing circle. playing his 600th NHL game. backhanded the rebound of defenceman Michel Petit's shot into a wide-open net.

Detroit's Gerard Gallant tied the game 35 seconds into the third period on a power play when he took Steve Yzerman's pass from the left boards and beat Rangers goaltender Bob Froese Joe Nieuwendyk scored four with a 10-foot shot from the right

In Chicago, Rick Vaive scored twice in the first 3:31 earlier as the Chicago Blackhawks snapped an eight-game National Hockey League losing streak with a 5-1 victory over the Toronto Maple

In Buffalo, New York, rookie

Germans say they will not mark Maradona man-to-man

BUENOS AIRES (R) - West Reuter. Germany will not mark Argentine star Diego Maradona manto-man when the two sides meet here on Wednesday in a friendly soccer international, the Germans' coach Franz Beckenbauer said on Tuesday.

"We will not mark Maradona tightly." Beckenbauer told a press conference. "But we will watch him closely and not leave him totally loose."

This is not the World Cuip final. It's a friendly in which we want to learn," he said. Beckenbauer hinted that mid-

Argentine captain went into attack, a team source told

Rolff, who will win his 27th cap, did not play in West Germany's opening South American tour match, a 1-1 draw against Brazil fielder Wolfgang Rolff would in Brasilia on Saturday. pick up Maradona when the

Germans 3-2.

Rolff successfully marked

French ace Michel Platini when

West Germany beat favourites

France in the semifinals of the

World Cup in Mexico last year,

But Rolff did not play in the

final when Argentina were

crowned world champions for the

second time after beating the

LONDON (AP) — From muddy

rugby fields of northern England

to plush professional boxing are-

nas in the south and the cricket

grounds in Pakistan, Britain's im-

age of fair play and turn-the-

other-cheek stoicism in sports is

taking a sock on the jaw from

The pattern will continue, ex-

perts say, until punishment is

increased and competitors learn

In the past week, sports head-

lines in British newspapers and

TV and radio broadcasts have

focused on a boxer who attacked

the referee in the ring, a mass

brawl at a professional rugby

match and a record number of

Even cricket, that most gent-

lemanly and traditionally fair-

minded of English sports, has

been given a bad name by recent

events during the England tour of

Squabbles and disputes be-

tween players and officials on

both sides has thrown the tour

In the most serious single inci-

dent for over 50 years, England

team captain Mike Gatting and

Pakistan umpire Shakoor Rana

publicly exchanged fierce words

in the middle of the Faisalabad

Their accusations and counter-

accusations led to demands for

apologies by both men. Wednes-

day's third day in the second test

match was canceled as a result of

the row, and officials warned that

the whole tour could be called off

unless differences were patched

It's all a far cry from the

soccer player dismissals.

on-field violence.

and winning.

Pakistan.

into jeopardy.

pitch on Tuesday.

Germans seek revenge

avenge their 1986 World Cup final defeat by Argentina when the two sides meet in a friendly on Wednesday.

The match, which kicks off at the Velez Sarsfield Stadium at 2100 GMT, is the third between the two sides since World Cupwinning coach Carlos Bilardo took the helm for Argentina and Franz Beckenbauer became West Germany's manager.

The first in Duesseldorf in September 1984 marked the managerial debut of "Kaiser" Franz. His team were beaten 3-1 on that occasion.

Argentina were without Diego

BUENOS AIRES (R) — West Maradona in the 1984 encounter Germany will be seeking to but he will captain the world champions in the 10th match between the two nations.

> The Argentines have the overall edge with four wins to three but West Germany, going into their ninth match of the year, are unbeaten in 1987.

Argentina, in contrast, are looking for only their second win since their Mexico triumph and finished a poor fourth in the South American Championship they hosted in July.

Bilardo is hoping he has to make only two changes to the team that beat the Germans 3-2 in the World Cup final.

Welsh request may change World Cup qualifying rule ZURICH (R) - The Internatines concerned asking them to

tional Football Federation their views." (FIFA) is considering a change in the qualifying rules for European the organising committee in countries in the 1990 World Cup have to reappraise its decision

the decision not to hold play-offs following a majority wish to decide which two go through to the finals from those placed second in the four-team groups. FIFA General Secretary Sepp

three four-team groups had been canvassed for their opinions.

"When we got the Welsh re- there were for the last World Co quest we telexed the other coun- in Mexico.

"If most of them support Wak following a request from Wales. There are precedents where the The Welsh F.A. protested at original rules have been altered

In a surprise move the organic ing committee chaired by Wes German Hermann Neuberge had decided that in the thre Blatter told Reuters on Tuesday four-team groups the two tue that the other countries in the ners-up with the best result would qualify with the winner There would be no play-offs a

Wrangles mar West Indies cricket tour, too

BOMBAY (R) - Wrangles surrounding the West Indies current tour of India are adding to the rancorous atmosphere in world

West Indies Captain Viv Richards has felt the need to deny he is a cheat, Indian skipper Dilip Vengsarkar could be sacked over a contract dispute, umpires. and schedules are under fire and even the weather has turned

In contrast to the ugly turn of events on the England tour of Pakistan, nobody wants the West Indians to go home, but there is a long tour ahead and the portents are not good.

The trouble began last week at Nagpur during the first of eight scheduled one-day internationals.

Vengsarkar played a ball which Richards appeared to take at first bounce and umpire Rajan Mehra turned down the West Indian

Richards threw down the ball. kicked it and stormed over to the umpire to complain, aided by half his team. Mehra consulted colleague

Vikram Raju and changed his Vengsarkar was reluctant to walk but eventually did so, leav-



ing the field to a chorus of booing echoed the next day in the press. "Viv Richards' ugly and unpardonable behaviour" was matched by the "fickle and weak-minded" umpiring, said the biggest-cir-

culation Indian Express. "Are our umpires going to allow themselves to be pressurised by the visiting captain and players?" asked the Indian Post.

"I have never played my cricket in any way that I would cheat a batsman out. It was a clean and fair catch and that is all there is to it," said Richards in his newspap-

But the damage was done and it was compounded in the public's their contracts. eyes when West Indies won that match by 10 runs.

So to the second test in Bombay, where a different set of umpires seemed concerned to avoid cricket being played at all. They delayed the start of the

match for bad light, and after light rain at lunch time declined to restart play for the same reason. Although both teams are used to sunshine and limpid light, any of them who have played in Eng-

worse light conditions. Rain ruled out play on the second day, for the first time in a

land must have endured infinitely

Bombay test. On the third the umpires, instead of organising mowing and rolling of the pitch and mopping and sanding the outfield as fast as possible so play could begin on time, ordered these tasks only when playing hours had actually

off the pitch as well as on, Indian cricket seems doomed to

controversy. The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) had no sooner appointed Vengsarkar captain than it turned its guns on

The BCCI has threatened to fine and even sack him for breach of contract unless he stops writing a newspaper column, specifically forbidden in the contract he signed last month.

For years past Indian test stars have been airing their opinions in the press despite the wording of

Former captains Sunil Gavaskar and Kapil Dev did so with impunity and the Indian media are unanimous the BCCI is getting tough this time only because Vengsarkar has yet to build himself an adoring public, and so presents an easy target.

England-Pakistan

Meanwhile, two top England cricket officials flew into Pakistan on Monday to try and heal the wounds from the furore over umpiring during the current tour.

Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) Chairman Raman Subba Row and chief executive Alan Smith arrived in cheerful mood but declined to comment to waiting reporters.

They were due to meet the disgruntled England players and Pakistan Cricket Board (BCCP) officials later in the day and said they would talk to journalists afterwards.

British sportsmen losing sense of sportsmanship playing fields of Eton and Harrow, of Oxford and Cambridge, where the reputation of British sportsmen for playing hard but

fair was nurtured. "It all comes down to how players perceive the potential negative effects of stepping out of line," says Stuart Biddle, a leading sports psychologist. "If the rewards outweigh the punishments, then bad behaviour will there is more to sport than money

continue. Biddle, head of the Psychology Division at the British Association of Sports Scientists, said the lure of big money and a win-atall-costs attitude are severely damaging sporting ethics.

"In amateur sport, the reward might be prestige. For the professionals, it's money," he said. "It's not as bad here as in some countries. North American ice hockev, for instance, has a terrible violence record.

"But we still go far over the top in this country about winning and losing. It is very important that we should not lose sight of the original aims, which are to do the best we can, and enjoy it. If we over-emphasise results above skills and enjoyment, the problems will remain.

British soccer long has been troubled by fan violence but this season the trouble has been mainly on the field of play.

Last weekend, three more players were sent off in the English League, bringing to a record 122 the number of expulsions in just 16 weeks of the 38-week season. For all of last season, dismissals totalled 215.

In Scotland, on-field violence at one game was deemed so serious that authorities brought charges against four players for breaching the peace, a rare intrusion into the game by the state.

These unsavory statistics make grim reading for soccer officials desperately trying to put the game back on its feet after the 1985 Heysel Stadium and Brandford fire disasters, in which a total of 95 people died.

"After Heysel and Bradford, I was genuinely optimistic that everybody in the game was pulling together to create a better product," said Gordon Taylor, secretary of the Professional Footballers Association (PFA). But suddenly, it seems the message is not getting through. The same clubs, the same players, are repeated offenders."

Taylor, like Biddle, agreed that the penalties may not be stiff enough. "At the moment, a player is

automatically banned for two games after he has been sent off," Taylor told the Mail on Sunday newspaper. "It may well be this penalty is not sufficient. Maybe the suspension will have to be increased to five matches."

Taylor's assistant at the PFA. Brendan Batson, said it was vital for players, managers and referees to try to resolve the problem of bad behaviour.

"At present, the interpretation of the laws of the game seem to be full of inconsistencies," Batson said. "Players are finding it difficult to come to terms with how different referees officiate.

Until there is an openness on everybody's part to come together, we will always have a problem.

Batson disagreed with the growing call for referees, who are amateurs, to become fully paid professionals like the players. But, he said, they could still become more involved.

"I would like to see referees paying regular visits to their local professional club and watch the players in training," he said. "What happens in training basically is what happens on the field, and they would get a better feel for the way players react."

While soccer officials deal with a new twist to an old problem, authorities in boxing and rugby are faced with new cases of competitor violence.

On Dec. 2, light-heavyweight boxer Bobby Frankham attacked the referee after refusing to accept defeat, then tried to restart the contest at the Wembley Conference Centre against the victorious Billy Simms.

Thousands of telvision viewers watched Frankham, who had already been down twice, push and punch referee Richie Davies when he halted the non-title contest in the first round. Frankham also hurled his gumshield at ring-

The British Boxing Board o Control (BBBC) has scheduled disciplinary hearing for Frank ham Dec. 16. He could be ban ned from the ring for life.

Four days after Frankham attack, attention switched to professional rugby match, when all 26 players for York and De wsbury were involved in a four minute brawl midway through th second half.

York Director Albert Bond who said he had gone onto the field to break up the fighting, wa sent off by the referee for alleger ly throwing a punch. Five of the players followed, three of the from Dewsbury.

Professional rugby in Britain i a family sport, especially in the COCK EXC by this type of misbehaviou among either players or fans.

The apparent trend toward on-field anarchy has prompte angry editorials in some Britis newspapers.

"Honest people have bee asked to swallow the unaccept able and the dishonest," wrot the daily Mail. "Those nominal in charge should be warned the the state of play, nationally an globally, is so appalling tha cynicism is only the forerunner public disengagement.'

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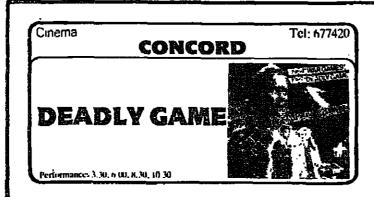


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edged down to touch historic lows for the fourth straight trading day on Tuesday, but gold eased and shares were generally firm even in markets which usually slide when the U.S. currency weakens.

With the year-end holiday period approaching and economic signals confused, big investors seemed to be keeping their heads down, neither buying nor selling large amounts of anything, dealers said.

They added that most traders, concerned about a stubbornly high U.S. trade deficit, seemed resigned to seeing further slides in the dollar, which hit record quoted lows of 126.75 Japanese yen and 1.3170 Swiss francs in early London trading.

After hitting a record quoted low of 1.6215 West German marks in New York on Monday, the dollar steadied in London at just below 1.63 marks. "It looks as if the only way to go

is down - 1.60 (marks) by the end of the year is entirely possible," a Frankfurt dealer said Gold, which jumped above \$500 an ounce on Monday for the first time since February, 1983. was fixed on Tuesday morning at \$493.70 in London after closing

on Monday night right on \$500. News that OPEC agreed to extend its \$18 a barrel price eased some investors' worries about inflation. Many buy gold as an inflation hedge as well as when

But, despite easier gold prices and despite good news on inflation from the OPEC agreement. many traders saw the dollar sliding. Oil prices were steady, with Brent crude from the North Sea trading around \$17 a barrel. Some oil traders said they were sceptical over OPEC's ability to buy the market.

Japanese dealers were especially glum about the dollar.

We cannot see the dollar's immediate floor for now," a senior Japanese dealer said in Tokyo. The gloom spread to the Tokyo stock market, the world's biggest, where the 225-share Nikkei index slipped 79.55 points, or 0.35 per cent, to 22,846.73.

People are scared now that the dollar is trading below 127 yen." one Tokyo share dealer

In Europe - though big companies, like those in Japan, risk losing export business if the dollar is weak - share prices edged

London's benchmark FTSE 100-share index rose 1.7 per cent, or 28.6 points, to a morning high of 1,681.2. Amsterdam's CBS All Share index rose 0.5 points to open at 63.3, while in Zurich, the All Share Swiss index opened 6.2 points higher at 754.8. Milan and Paris shares also firmed.

Hong Kong's Hang Seng index rose 40 points, or nearly two per cent, to 2,080.62. Singapore shares rose 1.29 per cent.

Dollar continues to hit new lows | Traders see lower oil prices in long term

TOKYO (Agencies) — Crude oil prices will drop by about \$1 a barrel to around \$15 to \$16 over the next six months, despite OPEC's agreement to maintain price and output levels, Tokyo oil trade sources saidon Tuesday.

the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) agreed on Monday to keep charging \$18 a barrel for their oil and limit combined output to 15.06 million barrels a day (b/d) in the first half of 1988.

Iraq, which relies on oil revenue to combat its Gulf war foe Iran, was the sole dissenter at the Vienna conference of oil minis-

Iraq has been pumping almost twice its 1.54 million b/d allocation for 1987, industry sources

"A sense of disappointment is dominant. OPEC failed to improve any bearish factors," said an official at a Japanese oil company. "They met to cut overproduction, shore up prices, and make Iraq join their efforts. But

they achieved none of this." "Prices should hover around \$15 to \$16 a barrel," one trade source said.

Tokyo spot crude prices rose slightly in a correction to sharp falls overnight in New York, the sources said

The key U.K. crude Brent

Twelve of the 13 members of blend for February loading rebounded to \$16.70/17.00 in early

> \$16.60/65. However, spot prices were expected to continue to fluctuate around the current lower levels. they said.

Tokyo trading on Tuesday from

Monday's New York closing of

"Supplies are still high compared with slack demand after everyone piled up stocks." said one trader. "The OPEC accord is not strong enough to change the direction of the spot market in such a short time.

"Market players will wait and

see if OPEC curbs overproduction and stops discount sales of surplus barrels," said an international trader.

"I doubt they will all stop cheating on their output, another trader added.

In general, cheaper oil is in prospect and that may benefit a global economy seen in danger of recession since the crash on financial markets.

Economists said a weaker oil price would promise lower fuel bills for industry, less risk of inflation and at least some help in correcting America's deficits although the motorist is not likely said. to see prices slashed at the petrol pump.

"Lower oil prices will help take the steam out of U.S. inflation and be positive for easing the trade deficit." said Mr. Sandford Margoshes of Shearson Lehman

Cheaper foreign oil might also give the U.S. administration a

chance to tax petrol and help narrow the other deficit being run by the United States, than on its federal budget.

But poorer, debt-burdened OPEC members will see revenues cut and their problems will be exacerbated by the present decline in the value of the dollar, in which the barrel is priced.

Richer Gulf members of OPEC may scale down investment plans.

While industrial nations will pay less to run their factories and cars, and cheap oil will boost chemicals companies and airlines, it is also likely to pinch the oil companies and oil-related indus-

Declining oil prices have a trickle-down effect on the rate of exploration, which usually slows when prices are weak.

Motorists will not find that pump prices drop quickly -- "the typical person at the gasoline pump would initially have diffi-culty noticing the dip," said Mr. Margoshes.

Mr. Bryan Jacoboski of Paine Webber, another U.S. analyst who was in Vienna, said: "Every \$2 off the oil price roughly translates into a nickel (five cents a gallon)

at the pump."
Mr. Jacoboski said the fall might be small to the car driver but was very broad-based as U.S. motorists used 2.6 billion barrels of oil a year. "The fall might allow the U.S. to increase revenue through petrol tax," he

Huge U.S. budget and trade deficits are blamed for strains on the world economy and the weak

A petrol tax would be one way to trim the budget deficit and savings on imports of some 2.1 billion barrels of oil a year - a third of U.S. consumption would shave the trade deficit.

Analysts said Japan's economy, which imports far more oil than the United States, will get a tious about the future. Noone is big boost. If that means Japan sure if there is going to be a buys more goods from the United States and other nations, that chose the lower figure. could help keep the global eco-

nomy out of recession. its own exports, it might aggravate world trade imbalances.

On inflation, Mr. Jacoboski said there was a general expectation before this OPEC meeting that oil prices would be \$25 a barrel or more by the early 1990s. reach those levels in the late

"Import-led inflation has been specific fear in the United States," he said. "Lower oil prices could also help dampen worries about higher prices in other commodities.'

"This may make people worry less about general commodity inflation because the only successful group in commodity history is having difficulties," said Mr. Jacoboski.

Iran, at the OPEC talks. wanted \$20 oil but the Gulf Arab bloc fears this would cause buyers to walk away from OPEC oil. Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer said OPEC should follow a prudent pricing policy both in the

wanu Lukman of Nigeria, said that, although the weak dollar cut the purchasing power of the bar-rel. OPEC had decided to stay with an \$18 price so as to keep oil

competitive against other fuels.

group had chosen lower demand forecasts. "We chose to be caurecession or a slowdown so we

Mr. Lukman's country, Nigeria, with 116 million people and But if Japan just cuts costs on per capita yearly income of \$300 a year, is going to be one of the main losers from weaker oil

Indonesia, the world's fifth most populous nation with 170 million and per capita income at \$470 a head, will also suffer. In Now, he thought prices would not contrast, Qatar has 330,000 people and an annual per capita ncome of \$17,000.

Gulf states like Saudi Arabia and Kuwait have substantial investments in the West. Kuwait has lately been building a 13 per cent stake in British Petroleum Co. Plc. (B.P.), the world's third

biggest oil company.
Analysts said OPEC members investment strategies would probably be modified if prices drop. Mr. Paul Miotok of Salomon Brothers said: "OPEC still has

the power to determine the price level of oil if they choose to use it. What they have done here is they have chosen not to use that power. What they have done here is to not defend SiS a barrel, but a couple of dollars below."

Meanwhile, Iran's deputy oil minister said Tuesday that Iran signed an OPEC price and production agreement in Vienna as a gesture of goodwill, not because it approved of the pact, Iran's official news agency reported. Iran is desperate for revenue to

Mr. Lukman also said that, in pay for its seven-year-old war

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) - Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Tuesday.

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after increasing its B.P. stake to 13.07 on Monday.

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LONDON STOCK MARKET

with 522 million shares traded by 1500 GMT. New B.P. shares contributed over 125 million of this total and dealers said the Kuwait Investment Office was probably again active in the market

1,667.9, after a high on the day of 1,681.2 at mid-morning following encouragement from Monday's large gain in New York. Analysts say the KIO now holds by far the largest single stake in B.P., but Mike Unsworth, oil analyst at Smith New Court, said it was unlikely that KIO would raise its stake above 15 per cent. Both old and new B.P. shares were unchanged at 244 and 711/2p

with over nine million changing hands.

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One ounce of gold 493.75/494.25

LONDON (R) — Stock prices continued firm, but were below their highest levels as the market seemed to ignore further early gains on Wall Street on Tuesday, dealers said.

Volume remained low but operators reported some pick-up,

Mexico devalues peso

gripped by rampant inflation and falling cash reserves, slashed the official value of the peso by 17.4 per cent on Monday and said additional measures to control its triple-digit inflation would be announced shortly.

"The markets are tired of the

But in Frankfurt, where the

dollar fall, they tend to ignore it and go all by themselves." a Paris

Boersen-Zeitung index rose 1.7

per cent, or 4.74 points to 276.24.

one dealer said the gains were

due to the absence of big inves-

boosted share prices, he said,

adding: "The institutions have

reconciled themselves to marking

The same lack of interest hit

"Yesterday's surge through the

magic \$500 barrier was purely

because of the dollar," a Zurich

since 1983 means gold is nowhere

near as expensive in terms of

marks, yen or Swiss francs, bul-

lion is typically seen as a haven

of people who wanted to sell the

dollar and were prepared to react

to any negative news for the

currency," one Tokyo currency

The negative news in Japan on

Tuesday was a Jiji News Agency report quoting Dr. David Meisel-

man, an economics professor at

Virginia Polytechnic Institute,

saving that U.S. Treasury Secret-

ary James Baker was opposed to

continuing last February's Louvre

accord to stabilise the dollar.

'There are an ample number

when the dollar is weak.

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A handful of small buy orders

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dealer said.

A Banco De Mexico spokesman said the controlled-rate peso, which the authorities had been allowing to slip only gradually, was set at 2,200 to the U.S. dollar compared with 1.817.70 on Friday. The decision should be seen

in the context of the measures that will be announced by the government," a spokesman said. Mexico has been gradually devaluing its controlled-market rate by five per cent a month as part of

an official policy to boost exports. That policy has cut the value of the peso by over half since January. A lower peso makes exports more competitive on world mar-

A Banco De Mexico spokesman said the move was also aimed at closing the breach with the free-market peso — which plunged by almost one-third to 2.200 pesos after the nation's central bank withdrew its support last month.

The free market peso remained steady at around 2,200 to 2,250 Monday as traders awaited announcement of economic mea-

change system, roughly 20 per ary impact on workers.

MEXICO CITY (R) - Mexico, cent of all currency transactions mostly by banks and exchange houses along the border - take place in the free market while most business transactions use the controlled-market rate. Financial sources said Monday's devaluation would also conserve foreign reserves, which after

reaching a record \$15 billion in October have since fallen around 15 per cent. Mexico's sudden economic crisis follows a slump in the stock exchange last month which saw the share index fall to less than a third its early October peak. The market's collapse triggered a new

wave of capital flight estimated at

up to \$100 million a week. Last month's decision by Banco de Mexico to no longer prop up the free-market peso was also seen as a move to conserve reserves. But the 32 per cent peso slide which followed the central bank's move set off a wave of speculative price increases, finance ministry officials say, and Mexican unions are now seeking a 46 per cent general wage in-

Inflation had risen to a record 12-month rate of 143 per cent last

Unions have set a national strike deadline for Dec. 18 if their wage demands are not met, and the government was last week studying a series of measures Under Mexico's dual-rate ex- aimed at offsetting the inflation-

Strike paralyses Greece

ATHENS (R) — Up to two the parliament building in protest million Greeks demanding higher wages and a change in the government's incomes policy took part in a 24-hour general strike on Tuesday, bringing most transport and industry to a stop, labour union officials said. All domestic flights of the state

carrier Olympic Airways and some outgoing international flights were cancelled, inter-island sea ferries were halted and national train services were not Schools, state banks, factories d government offices closed. Only emergency services

even ambulance workers were on strike. "The strike is very successful," union official Panaviotis Ploumis told reporters.

were available in hospitals and

Mr. Ploumis, deputy president of the Athens Labour Centre (EKA) which controls numerous unions, said: "The strike is the largest in the last 10 years."

About 40,000 strikers marched through the centre of Athens to at what they called the right-wing policies of Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou.

Slogans carried by the strikers said "More austerity will create more problems" and "we are liungry, money is needed now." Mr. Papandreou has

announced that a wages freeze imposed under a two-year austerity programme will be scrapped But union official Tasos Limperopoulos told Reuters the ex-

pected government-approved wage increases of at least four per cent were not expected to come anywhere near matching the current inflation rate of about 16 per

"With the money the average worker makes today he can hardly afford the monthly rent. How can we move forward with such misery?" he said.

"Even a family of three with both parents working can hardly make it through the month," Mr. Limperopoulos said.

short and long term. The OPEC president, Mr. Ril-

setting an output ceiling, the against Iraq. Private enterprises prove more efficient in Hungary

BUDAPEST (R) — Private enterprises in communist Hungary were more efficient, served their customers better and made 50 per cent more profit than those run rian news agency MTI said on and 40 per cent of catering. Tuesday.

It said 4,500 privately managed

shops and 7.500 restaurants — 26 per cent of all retail units in Hungary — had sprung up since a law allowing private management took effect in 1981. "Experience shows that the

new form of enterprise has added to a better meeting of demand," MTI said.

needs of customers both in hours of opening and range. They produce 50 per cent higher profit than under their former owners. while cutting workforce and investment requirements by 10-20 per cent," it noted.

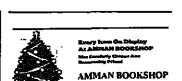
Prices at such enterprises are no higher than at other shops or restaurants, but entrepreneurs' monthly income of 10,000 to 30,000 forints (\$200 to \$600) was between twice and five-fold the national average, MTI said.

Privately managed enterprises in Hungary --- long the trailblazer of market-oriented economic reforms in Eastern Europe now accounted for 20 per cent of by the state, the official Hunga- the turnover of internal trade,

The entrepreneurs rent outlets from state companies or cooperatives after competitive bidding for a five year contract. They buy their own goods and have no financial obligation towards the owner company except rent.

MTI said one billion forints (\$20 million) had been invested in such enterprises so far, but that the system of five-year contracts seemed to hamner further invest-

On expiry of each contract. bidding is reopened in a measure designed to bring about competition among applicants and higher profit for the owner company.



Peanuts









Mutt'n' Jeff

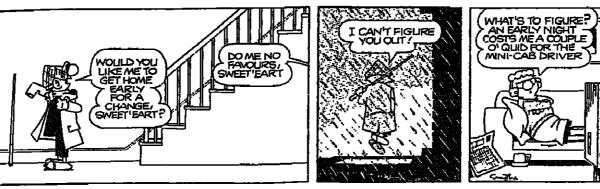


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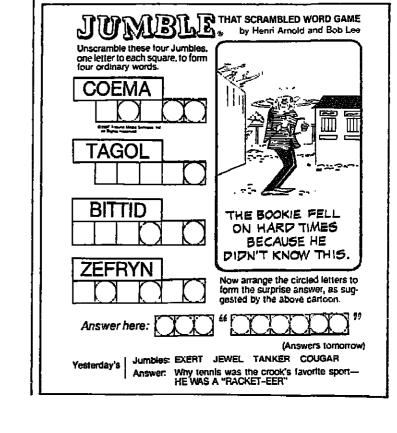












Kenyans, Ugandans exchange | Lange: Agent not fire across closed border

BUSIA, Kenya (R) — Kenyan police exchanged fire with Ugandan soldiers across a closed frontier on Tuesday for the second successive day.

Kenyan police sources said the clashes extended from the main border crossing at Busia in western Kenya to the nearby village of Moding and another important border crossing at Malaba, 30 kilometres to the north.

The sources say the fighting began on Monday when Ugandan soldiers tried to infiltrate the Kenvan side of Busia, 430 kilometres west of Nairobi. The frontier has now been closed.

At least eight Ugandan soldiers were shot dead at Busia on Monday and more were believed to have been killed at moding and Malaba, the sources said. No Kenyan deaths have been reported.

Shooting continued sporadically through the night at Busia and picked up after dawn on Tuesday, when several hundred policemen, including members of the Paramilitary General Service Unit. were defending the Kenyan side

of the town. District Commissioner Simon Chacha told a crowd of several hundred people who had fled their homes that Kenyan army reinforcements were expected at any time.

Kenyan police sources esti-mated 2,000 troops of Uganda's National Resistance Army (NRA) were on the other side of the border.

By Tuesday morning, most residents on the Kenyan side of Busia living within 300 metres of the border had abandoned their homes carrying their possessions in handcarts and on bicycles to escape the fighting.

Kenya had protested officially to Uganda over what it called an attempt by Ugandan soldiers to cross the border at Busia and violate Kenyan sovereignty, a Kenyan Foreign Ministry spokesman said on Monday night.

The border clashes made head-

lines in Tuesday's papers in Kenya but were virtually unreported in the Ugandan media.

Ugandan officials acknowledged there had been fighting at Busia, but they said its causes were still being investigated.

Relations between Kenya and landlocked Uganda have been deteriorating steadily for the past

Kenya's conservative civilian government has repeatedly accused Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni, a former guerrilla leader, of harbouring Kenyan dissidents and acting as a bridgehead for Libyan attempts to destabilise East Africa.

Uganda in turn, has accused Kenya of sheltering rebel guerrillas loval to ousted President Milton Obote and allowing them to

stage cross border raids. Border tension has been rising steadily in recent weeks and last Friday Kenya issued a strongly worded protest listing eight Ugandan military incursions into Kenya since mid-November.

seriously ill," French Prime Minister Jacques Chirac said later. "This has been established by unimpeachable French medical authorities." The French Foreign Ministry

as ill as

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WELLINGTON (R) - New

Zealand Prime Minister David

Lange said on Tuesday that a

French agent serving time for

helping sink the Rainbow War-

rior was not as ill as France

claimed when it flew him home

He said Alain Mafart, flown to

France without Wellington's con-

sent, had a stomach ailment going

back many months. But Paris

should have sought Wellington's

agreement before removing him

from Hao atoll, as laid down in a

U.N.-arranged agreement be-

tween the two nations under

which the agent was transferred

Mafart arrived in Paris on

Monday on a French military

plane. He was already airborne

before Wellington was told of his

"The fact is that Mafart is

removal.

to French custody last year.

from a South Pacific atoll.

said Mafart's condition was so serious he had to be repatriated immediately.

But Mr. Lange told a news conference that a New Zealand doctor who examined Mafart for 40 minutes in the Val de Grace Hospital in Paris said the agent showed no sign of distress.

The ailment — which Lange declined to detail - had existed for months was not life-threatening, London-based Dr. Richard Croxson told the prime minister.

New Zealanders have been stunned by news of Mafart's removal from the French Pacific base, where he and woman agent Dominique Prieur were supposed to spend at least another 18

They were each given 10-years prison terms by a New Zealand court after pleading guilty to manslaughter and sobotage charges in connection with the 1985 sinking of the flagship of the Greenpeace environmental group in Auckland Harbour.

Mr. Lange said Croxson reported Mafart's ailment did not fit into such a medical emergency category as would have warranted an immediate evacua-

The agent was unlikely to need any immediate surgery but faced tests that could last three to four weeks, Croxson added.

"The medical history shows that this (ailment) is something which is indeed a problem for Mafart," Mr. Lange said. "But it didn't arise on Saturday, and it didn't arise on Friday - it arose years ago . "I do not believe the circumst-

ances justified the unilateral evacuation and the medical evidence supports that. He said New Zealand, which

Zhongzheng said. received regular U.N. reports on A spark ignited the gas, setting the agents, had not been infire to a conveyor belt and colformed of the ailment until Satur-

ASEAN summit ends; Japan unveils \$2b fund ports from ASEAN, which for

years has complained of protec-

tionism in Japan and other indus-

President Corazon Aquino ad-

journed the South East Asian

summit Tuesday, thanking lead-

ers for their "moving demonstra-

tion" of solidarity by attending

the conference despite terrorist

The ASEAN leaders ended

their first summit in 10 years by

signing a joint declaration to

work toward ridding the region of

nuclear weapons, promoting re-

gional cooperation and intensify-

ing trade among member states.

In her closing remarks, Mrs.

Aguino referred to a statement

Monday by Prime Minister Lee

Kuan Yew of Singapore that if

ASEAN leaders had listened to

their security advisers, they

would not have come to this

ter Lee Kuan Yew's remarks

yesterday that he had overruled

the decision of his security advis-

ers not to attend the summit,'

Mrs. Aquino said. "In the spirit

of ASEAN, the other leaders had

also decided to brave the risks

and show solidarity with the Phi-

Mr. Lee had said the associa-

"I thank the leaders of

tion could not let terrorist threats

ASEAN for this moving demon-

stration of solidarity," Mrs.

The summit, the third in the

group's 20-year history, produced

four agreements on regional

trade and investments but no

The Philippine Ambassador to

Amman, Mr. Juan V. Saez, in a

press release, said Tuesday Presi-

dent Ronald Reagan, in his con-

gratulatory message to ASEAN leaders, said "ASEAN has de-

veloped into a creative and con-

structive economic force not only

in the region but world-wide and

is a universally admired model of

responsible political coopera-

Soviet leader Mikhail Gor-

bachev, in his congratulatory

message, welcomed the construc-

tive efforts to end the conflict in

Kampuchea and other regional

issues. He added that the "Soviet

Union is following developments

At first, 31 people were reported

to have died in the explosion last

Wednesday but the final death

toll was 45 after more bodies

Violations of safety procedure

were to blame for the accident,

the Communist party newspaper

of Jiangxi, rescue workers broke

through a rockfall to save a miner

who survived three weeks under-

ground. He Fangqing had been

near death but was now recover-

1971, culminating in the country's

In the south eastern province

were recovered.

People's Daily said.

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Chinese mine disaster

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"abort" the summit.

new, major initiatives.

Aquino added.

"I was touched by Prime Minis-

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MANILA. Philippines (AP) — Japanese Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita assured South East Asian leaders Tuesday that his country will not become a major military power.

He also unveiled a \$2-billion development fund to aid the region's economic advancement. Mr. Takeshita met with leaders

of Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand in a joint session immediately after they adjourned a two-day summit of the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN). He also planned to have individual meetings with each of the South East Asian

leaders. The summit, ASEAN's first in decade, produced no major new initiatives, but finished without incident despite fears of terrorist

Philippine Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus said, "the very holding of the meeting itself was the supreme achievement of the

hour. Mr. Takeshita, on his first foreign trip since assuming office last month, arrived shortly after the ASEAN leaders signed a joint declaration to work toward ridding the region of nuclear weapons and promoting regional economic cooperation.

"I pledge unequivocally that Japan will continue its active and sincere cooperation with our ASEAN neighbours," he said at

the joint session. He announced the formation of the \$2-billion ASEAN-Japan Development Fund, which Japan will make available to ASEAN countries in the next three years in addition to existing bilateral

Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad, speaking for the other leaders, told Mr. Takeshita ASEAN welcomes the aid offer and hopes that its relations with Japan "would move away from the donor-recipient stereotype."

"We also hope that the fund will include a mechanism to insure ASEAN countries against risks of further appreciation of the yen and that there will be significant efforts to promote market access in Japan for ASEAN products." Mr. Mahathir added.

Mr. Takeshita said he would make efforts to open the in the ASEAN with interest and Japanese market further to ex-

PEKING (R) — A trapped

Chinese coal miner survived 21

days underground by catching

drips of water in his helmet, but

the death toll in another colliery

accident last week has risen to 45,

U.S.-made equipment signal-

led that explosive gas was filling

Panji mine in eastern Anhui pro-

vince but by the time the warning

was noticed it was too late. Anhui

Coalmine Bureau head Yang

officials said on Tuesday.

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'Ancient air' found to be modern

CAIRO (R) - Scientists who wanted to study 5,000-year-old air sucked from a pit at the Cheops Pyramid near Cairo are in for a disappointment. Using special equipment, they took samples in October from what they hoped was an airtight limestone pit containing a Pharaonic funeral relic undisturbed since 2,600 B.C. Three air samples in special containers were flown to the United States for analysis. But scientist Pieter Tans said on Monday his studies showed that "moderately polluted urban air" - Circa 1987 - had entered the pit. Egyptian and U.S. scientists had hoped that "ancient air" or a modern imitation could be used to preserve this and other delicate relics. All was not lost for Tans, however. He discovered that the wooden relic, a "solar boat" used as a trapping for a king's grave, was decaying only very slowly. Tans, of the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, told a symposium on the use of technology in archaeology that initial studies indicated the pit, covered with 40 slabs of limestone, was not airtight. "The pressure within the pit was the same as the outside pressure ... in a sealed chamber, the pressure would not follow outside pressure variations." he said. One laboratory described the limestone as highly porous. If the pit had been airtight since 2,600 B.C., the wood would not have decayed at all. Working on the air samples. Tans estimated the boat's rate of decay and told Reuters it was very slow.

Zimbabwe bars caning of prisoners

HARARE (R) - Zimbabwe's supreme court has struck down the country's corporal punishment laws, declaring that the caning of criminals is degrading and unconstitutional. "Irrespective of the offence he has committed, the vilest criminal remains a human being possessed of common human dignity," the court ruled on Monday in granting an appeal against caning by three convicted child rapists. Zimbabwe's constitution provides that "no person shall be subjected to torture or to inhuman or degrading punishment or other such treatment." But Zimbabwe statutes had allowed courts to sentence offenders to up to 12 strokes of a heavy cane for specified crimes. The punishment was administered by a prison official to offenders who were stripped naked, blindfolded and strapped face down on a tilted bench.

Wallet, DM 2,000 found in cow's stomach

BELGRADE (R) - Yugoslav farmer Alet Hajdarevic got a welcome surprise when he slaughtered a cow and found 2,000 West German marks (\$1,250) inside its stomach. Tanjug news agency has said.

Man accused of robbing babies

DORTMUND, West Germany (R) - A 24-year-old man suspected of robbing babies was arrested carrying a plastic bag containing 757 dummies, teething rings and two feeding bottles containing red wine, a police spokesman said on Monday. He said a witness saw the man take a dummy teat from the mouth of a year-old baby which was lying in its pram. The thief fled but ran into the arms of a policeman.

Designer presents sari collection

BOMBAY, India (AP) - A British fashion designer on Monday presented a unique collection of saris with Western designs and accessories to promote the traditional attire of Indian women in the West. Zandra Lindsey Rhodes, who has designed clothes for Jacqueline Onassis, Gloria Vanderbilt and Princess Anne, has incorporated her designs and motifs with traditional weaves. "Sarees have been worn for thousands of years by Indian women," Ms. Rhodes said after the premier of her new collection. "A woman looks so elegant in a sari. Maybe it is time to go back to purity," she said. "I did the fabric design. I did not do anything wrong to the pure Indian sari," she said. Indian and foreign models, wearing stylised turbans and ostrich plumes in their hair, presented the new saris at a fashion show. The British designer has used images of the Manhattan skyline, for example, to make the six-yard-long (six-meter-long) Indian apparel appealing to Western women. Nearly 60 per cent of the designer saris will be exported to Western countries, she said.

Australia to issue innovative banknote

SYDNEY (R) - Australia will issue a 10-dollar (\$7) plastic banknote next year that changes colour as one looks at it the Reserve Bank said. The note, commemorating 200 years of white settlement in Australia, will contain an optically variable device (OVD). This anti-counterfeiting technology causes the note's colour to vary as the viewing angle changes. The commemorative note will feature an aboriginal design on one side and a drawing of one of the first fleet convict ships, which brought the first settlers,

'AIDS spurs lifestyle changes for women'

NEW YORK (AP) - The fear of contracting AIDS is steering women toward monogamy, celibacy and an insistence that their partners wear condoms, a survey commissioned by Glamour magazine shows. The survey found that the spread of AIDS has made more women fearful of a possible epidemic among heterosexuals. Of the 800 women surveyed nationwide by telephone, 71 per cent expressed such a fear, compared with 56 per cent last year. Of the single women surveyed, seven out of 10 said they have become more cautious about sex because of AIDS. Of those women, two out of three said they were more selective about sexual partners and 21 per cent said they insist on their partners wearing condoms. The survey also found that 11 per cent of women who said the fear of AIDS changed their sex lives indicated they had become celibate. Another 22 per cent said they opted for monogamy. The survey showed that a perceived increase in violent crime was the overwhelming worry among women. In descending order, the other issues angering women were poverty, political corruption and a lack of equality with men. The annual survey, conducted in August and September by Mark Clements Research Inc., tracks attitudes and opinions of women ages 18-65. The margin of error was 3.5 per cent.

Chaplin's hat, cane fetch big price

LONDON (R) - Charlie Chaplin's bowler hat and cane, the late comedian's trademark as a bumbling tramp, were sold for £82,500 (\$154,200) at a London auction on Friday. The hat and cane, worn by Chaplin in his 1940 film the great dictator, were among 260 items to Chaplin memorabilia on sale at Christie's auction house a decade after the silent film star and director died aged 88 on Christmas Day, 1977. Nearly all the items on auction, ranging from Chaplin lollipops to sleeping bags depicting him in cartoon form. were sold. fetching a total of £157,600 (\$294,600). Jorten Strecker from Denmark, who bought the bat and cane for much more than their estimated value of £10-15,000 (\$18,700-28,000), said he planned to display them on a wax model at his cinema and restaurant complex in Copenhagen. "I think Chaplin was the greatest entertainer of all time." Strecker said. But he was unmoved by the British-born comedian's oversized and shabby boots, which were also up for auction. "He used the hat and cane in acting. He only walked in the boots. And I have quite enough old boots of my own," he said. A Christie's spokesman said a Swiss museum bought the boots with a £38,500 (\$72,000)

ETA claims responsibility for car bomb

que separatist organisation ETA claimed responsibility late on Monday for a car bomb attack in the northern Spanish city of Saragossa in which 11 people, including four children, were killed.

In a statement to Basque news media, ETA (Basque Homeland and Freedom) said it was satisfied with "the virtual demolition" of

Ronald Reagan's handling of last

week's summit meeting with

Soviet leader Mikhail Gor-

bachev, a Washington Post-ABC

Poll released on Tuesday indi-

The poll showed that 57 per

cent of those questioned

approved Mr. Reagan's handling

of foreign affairs, compared with

46 per cent in a poll taken 10 days

Seventy-seven per cent

approved of the way Mr. Reagan

(AP) — Republican presidential

candidate Pat Robertson has said

that the administration of Presi-

dent Ronald Reagan is weaken-

ing the NATO alliance by signing

a treaty to remove medium-range

United States will undermine our

NATO allies," Robertson said.

"This has been a long-range goal

of the Soviets since shortly after World War II. It looks like they

may well be accomplishing that

Robertson's comments came at

a news conference after he filed

as an official candidate in the

New Hampshire primary. In a

news release later in the day.

Robertson said reports that he

supports the treaty are incorrect.

"My major concern is that the

missiles from Europe.

through this treaty.

before the meeting.

from the earlier poll.

BILBAO, Spain (R) — The Bas- the Civil Guard barracks in Saragossa and the high number of deaths among security forces.

ETA said it regretted the deaths of family members of Civil

Guards in last Friday's attack. Thirty-four people were also

wounded in the attack. ETA claimed responsibility as

per cent for Mr. Reagan.

signed to eliminate medium-and

it's now worded," he said.

In another statement, Robert-

son said, "although I believe the

specifics regarding the missiles

appear to be hopeful, I continue

to be greatly concerned that with-

out a condition of mutual reduc-

tion of conventional arms, we will

decouple and undermine our

In a televised interview on Sun-

day, Robertson had called the

pact a "pretty good treaty"

although he said ratification

should be tied to reducing con-

At the news conference in Con-

cord. Robertson said that if

American nuclear power is re-

moved from NATO, the NATO

allies "will be subject to Soviet

NATO" allies.

ventional weapons.

done a better job.

is handling relations with the shorter-range nuclear missiles

CONCORD. New Hampshire have to vote against the treaty as

Mr. Reagan also gained in arsenals by half.

Robertson assails INF treaty

Friday in which a Civil Guard sergeant was shot dead near San Sebastian and a policeman was wounded by a letter bomb in

The Saragossa attack was the worst by ETA since the group planted a bomb in a Barcelona supermarket last June, killing 21 well for two separate attacks last people.

Public approves Reagan's Britain's handing of summit — poll WASHINGTON (R) — Public opinion approves President deputy Mr. Gorbachev was viewed favourably by 65 per cent after the meeting, compared with 61

after stroke However, 42 per cent said they felt Mr. Reagan was more effec-

tive at the summit talks, while 26 per cent said Mr. Gorbachev had Nearly two-thirds of those surveyed approved of the treaty Mr. Reagan and Mr. Gorbachev

Soviet Union — up 11 per cent and favoured a future treaty to cut long-range nuclear missile

It happened during parlia-

ter Hospital, who were among the congregation of 800, went to

Hospital spokesman Tim Bat-tle said the Deputy Prime Minisattack or what he called a "mini-

Mr. Battle said a fluctuating weakness of Lord Whitelaw's right-hand side that set in after the stroke later began to improve and that his condition was stable. Ischemia is a medical term for deficiency of blood in an organ or

tissue due to constriction or obstruction of a blood vessel. Mr. Battle said Lord Whitelaw

land until 1983.

premier stable

LONDON (Agencies) — Deputy Prime Minister Lord Whitelaw was reported to be in stable condition Tuesday at London's Westminster Hospital after a slight

Lord Whitelaw, 69, one of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's closest advisers, collapsed on Monday night.

ment's annual Christmas Carol Service in St. Margaret's Church across from the parliament buildings shortly after he read a lesson. Nurses from nearby Westmins-

ter who also holds the post of leader of the House of Lords, suffered a transient ischemic

was fully conscious in the hospital

Monday night and talked with his

A World War II veteran, Lord Whitelaw was first elected to parliament in 1955 and represented the same region of northern Eng-

ing from his ordeal, the New lapsing the roof of a long tunnel. China News Agency reported. day morning. Bangladesh relaxes ban on rallies

DHAKA (R) - Bangladeshi President Hossain Mohammad Ershad, embroiled in a row over his rule, has decided to ease a state of emergency ban on rallies to allow his opponents to celebrate Victory Day on Wednesday. "All meetings and rallies can

be held on the occasion of the

Victory Day on Dec. 16, but no procession or demonstration will be permitted," the BSS news agency said quoting an official announcement on Monday night.

The day celebrates the surrender of Pakistani army to the joint command of Indian forces and Bangladeshi liberation fighters in

independence. Gen. Ershad's move to allow

opposition parties to join the victory celebrations is apparently intended to lure them to peace talks he has proposed to resolve the worst crisis in his nearly six years of power.

WASHINGTON (R) — U.S. cy rights.

He responded to a question about his views on abortion by saying: "It would be highly improper for a judge to allow his or her religious views to interfere with a decision."

Asked if he had promised administration officials or conservative senators that he would vote to ban abortion, Mr. Kennedy replied indirectly: "I do not have any such view with respect to privacy or abortion.'

that abortion is legal, but cases are pending which could reverse that decision.

there was a general protection for the right of privacy in the U.S. constitution, but it was up to judges to determine the limits of that protection. "There is a zone of liberty, a

zone of protection where the individual tells the government beyond this you can not go. It seems to me that most judges, lawyers and others believe liberty includes a value we call privacy,

Committee Chairman Joseph Biden welcomed Mr. Kennedy to the hearing by telling him: "The confrontational spirit of the last two nominations has passed. I looks favourably on your nomina-

confirmation hearings three months ago. The committee and later the Senate, both controlled by Democrats, voted to reject Bork's nomination.

las Ginsburg, withdrew his name after admitting he had used mariuana, Mr. Reagan nominated Mr. Kennedy on Nov. 11 to fill the vacancy caused by Justice Lewis Powell's resignation six months ago.

Mr. Kennedy, a 51-year-old conservative federal judge from California, is considered more moderate than Mr. Bork, who was called a right-wing extremist by his opponents, and is more

"It (confirmation) is his to think everyone on this committee lose." Vermont Democrat Patrick Leahy said before the hearing in the ornate Senate caucus

Even Democrats Edward Ken-

nedy of Massachusetts and Howard Metzenbaum of Ohio, who both strongly opposed Mr. Bork. had kind words for the nominee although they said they would

nedy nominated to high public office." Sen. Kennedy quipped. troubled by some of Judge Kennedy's rulings on civil rights and his membership in private clubs that restricted membership of

determine whether Judge Kennedy is sensitive to the constitutional rights of the American people. If he is, he will deserve to be confirmed by the Senate. Sen. Kennedy said.

"On the basis of what we now know, you appear to be an acceptable nominee," Sen. Metzenbaum added.

conventional blackmail. "If I were in the Senate, I'd GOREN BRIDGE

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We all know of the sad fate of the young man who put all his eggs in one basket and then tripped on the way to the market. The bridge version of this saga is to pin all your faith on one suit

Opening lead: Five of 7

The auction was routine South showed a hand too strong to open one no trump and North judged that his six-card suit merited

After winning the opening lead

(a spade switch might prove embarrassing), the unthinking play is to cash the king of diamonds and then finesse the jack. East would win and exit with a heart, and those gorgeous diamonds in dummy would wither on the vine. Declarer would probably end up with six tricks.

The thinking declarer would realize that the club suit also offers chances for developing three extra tricks if East has at least one of the missing honors. The problem is how best to combine the chances in the two minor suits.

The secret is to lead the 10 of diamonds at trick two and overtake with the table's jack. Best defense is for East to withhold the queen; if he wins, the diamond suit is good. Now declarer should take advantage of being in dummy by running the seven of clubs.

West wins and can do no better than continue the attack on bearts. Declarer takes the trick, then overtakes the king of diamonds with the ace. If the queen drops, well and good. If it does not, as is the case here, declarer is back on the board to repeat the club finesse by running the 10. in all, declarer takes one spade trick, two hearts, two diamonds and four clubs.

Judge Kennedy denies having fixed views on abortion

Supreme Court nominee Anthony Kennedy has said at his Senate confirmation hearings he would not let his Roman Catholic beliefs influence any of his decisions involving abortion or priva-

Mr. Kennedy, President Reagan's third choice to fill the court seat that has been vacant since June, was roundly praised by members of both parties at the opening session of the Senate Judiciary Committee hearings.

The supreme court has ruled marked Judge Robert Bork's

Mr. Kennedy said he believed

tion.' Sen. Biden was referring to the room. bitter, partisan debate which

After the next nominee, Doug-

experienced than Mr. Ginsburg,

question him closely about his "It's always nice to see a Ken-But the senator said he was

women and minorities. "These hearings will help us to